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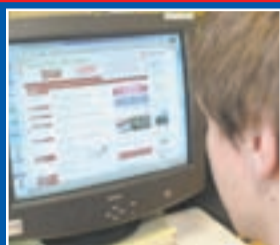
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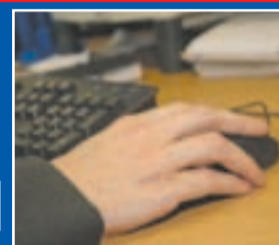
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ARRIVA'S OAP FARE FURORE

A BUS firm has been accused of overcharging the council by claiming for OAP concessionary fare journeys which have not been made.

Transport giant Arriva, which has just declared annual profits of £128m, faced tough questions this week after it was claimed drivers on several local routes have been exaggerating journey details.

A batch of tickets issued to OAPs in the past fortnight was handed to the *Star* along with details of the actual journeys made.

In one case a trip from The Stow to Old Harlow Post Office was registered instead as being from Harlow Bus Terminus to Sawbridgeworth's Leventhorpe School.

Another for a journey from The Stow to the town centre was recorded as going from The

EXCLUSIVE

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Phoenix pub, in Tillwicks Road, to Pinnacles industrial estate.

Because pensioners are entitled to free local bus travel their tickets do not include a price but journey details are recorded so bus firms can claim the cost of the concessionary fare from Harlow Council.

The obligation of local authorities to fund OAP travel – which will soon be extended to include journeys anywhere in the country – has been blamed for contributing to Harlow's current cash crisis.

The incorrect tickets were collected by four Mark Hall pensioners who became suspicious

about frequent discrepancies. After unsuccessfully trying to alert the council via the Contact Harlow service, they instead approached Liberal Democrat councillors Lesley Rideout and Robert Thurston.

A furious Mr Thurston told the *Star*: "We've just had to make quite a few staff redundant, largely because of the cost of funding bus travel. Now it looks like we've been paying well over the odds."

"That extra money could have saved someone's job or helped us avoid a service reduction somewhere."

An Arriva spokeswoman said random checks are carried out by consultants to ensure drivers record the correct data. "We accept there may be occasions when a driver may input the wrong destination in error," she said. "Where this is

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Festiva's cultural ambition



A NEW social hub for Harlow's ethnic minority citizens was launched with a party at the Latton Bush Centre. Harlow Council chairwoman Lorna Spenceley joined in the fun last Saturday to get the Festiva Club going.

CULTURES CLUB: Pictured at the launch of Festiva are, centre front, Lorna Spenceley and Margaret Lumu (photo: JS3N9P3W/03)

The group is funded by a £9,500 Lottery grant. Organiser Margaret Lumu said: "The club's activities will not only help build the confidence of the local communities in dealing with a diversity of other cultures, but the events and social activities will be inclusive."

CHARITIES in Harlow and Epping have been handed thousands of pounds to help support their work helping to make Essex a safer place.

Ten organisations were among 60 in the county to share grants totalling £63,974 from the High Sheriffs' Fund, which was set up by Essex Community Foundation in 1997 to recognise and help community-minded charities with their work.

Since it was launched, 290 grants have been given to lucky groups and this time around the recipients included four charities in Harlow and six in Epping. They were officially announced last Wednesday.

Harlow's ACCURO, which provides respite to children with disabilities and their families, was given £1,000 to recognise its support, training and development of volunteers.

Volunteer Ruth Samways, who nominated the club, said: "I feel very much a part of the team and ACCURO deserves recognition for its excellent practices and high quality support though induction and training."

Other winners in the town were the Counselling And Life Management Centre, which was given £800 to deliver self-esteem workshops to victims of crime; Papworth Trust scooped £500 to help buy equipment for people who have been victims of crime; and the Safer Harlow Partnership was given £500 to keep providing community-safe schemes.

Among the six recipients in Epping Forest was Epping Forest Home-Start, which was awarded £1,000 to run support groups for families under stress who have a child under five; and Voluntary Action Epping was awarded two cheques of £500 – one to buy equipment for its gardening service for vulnerable people and the second to provide citizen handbooks for school pupils taking part in a police-run safety initiative.

Glaucoma day

AN international effort to protect people's sight was marked at Rivers Hospital, in High Wych.

Thursday's World Glaucoma Day event was organised by the private hospital's orthoptist Helen Collett to enabled people to learn more about the condition and how it can be detected and treated.

"Glaucoma is one of the most preventable causes of blindness in the UK," said Miss Collett. "It causes patchy loss of vision that varies in severity and is often unnoticed because the brain ignores the damaged eyesight and detailed central vision is unchanged."

"The loss of vision usually deteriorates and is permanent, but early treatment can minimise the damage."

Sunflower run

FIT fundraisers must hurry if they want to snap up one of the last places in the annual St Clare Hospice Sunflower Run on March 30.

The 10km jog around the Hastingwood hospice attracted 500 participants last year. To enter, visit

www.stclare-hospice.co.uk or call (01279) 773751.

● SECURITY has been boosted at the hospice thanks to a Thornwood company's donation of £1,250 worth of equipment. The new alarms, donated by Baron Security, will protect the hospice's storage sheds.

Playbus dates

PARENTS frustrated at the lack of play facilities for their young children can take advantage of the free Rainbow Services playbus, which tours Harlow every week.

The special vehicle, which offers toys, games and activities, is open from 3.15-4.30pm. On Mondays, it is stationed in Potter Street; on Tuesdays at Brocklesmead; Wednesdays at Northbrooks; Thursdays at The Stow; and on Fridays at Summers.

For more information, call Rainbow Services on (01279) 308153

Lotto projects

NATIONAL Lottery organisers want nominations from Harlow residents as they search for the public's favourite Lottery-funded project.

A popular community scheme will be chosen to be featured in a forthcoming BBC television programme and it will also receive an additional boost of £2,000.

To nominate a project, visit www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/awards or call 0845 1304133.

Banking blood

BLOOD donors can help boost supplies when collections are taken at the Latton Bush Centre, in Southern Way, Harlow, on Tuesday, from 2-4pm and 5-7.45pm. For information on alternative locations or dates, visit www.blood.co.uk or call 08457 711711

Charity's pirates set sail on voyages of potential



SHIVER me timbers! Harlow's Harvey Centre went all maritime as a pirate ship docked for two days of charity fun.

Follow Your Dreams, a charity which helps youngsters with Downs Syndrome to fulfil their potential in sport, music, art or drama, brought its eye-catching stand to town last week as part of a national fundraising tour. Children from special schools were also invited to attend for fun and games, while other youngsters out shopping with their parents got the

AYE AYE CAPTAIN! Pictured are, rear, left to right, Philip Duffy, Martin Harris, front, left to right, Jordan Duffy, Kian Duff, Paige Gathercole and Sheila Gee-Lang (photo: FC3WPQQM/01)

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David's hopeful of travel webcast

AN intrepid student could be off on the trip of a lifetime after making the shortlist for a new online travel show.

David Brett (18), of Aynsley Gardens, Harlow, has beaten thousands of hopeful globetrotters to be chosen as one of two British finalists hoping to document their travels on reality show *The Gap Year*.

If successful, he will be one of a group of six international travellers

journeying to exotic locations with a small camera crew.

Produced by Endemol UK – the firm behind hit reality TV show *Big Brother* – the weekly interactive programme will be broadcast on social networking website Bebo, giving viewers the chance to vote on what the travellers do and where they go.

"I'm over the moon to have made the final two," said David. "I could-

n't believe it when my name was announced!

"I'd love to get this opportunity to show people how easy it is to discover new countries and explore different cultures – travelling is my life and I'm just keeping my fingers crossed that I can make this final hurdle."

To show your support for David's bid, visit www.bebo.com/thegapyear.

Home values fear dispelled

ESTATE agents have dismissed fears that house prices have plummeted by as much as £60,000 on a Harlow estate.

The reassurance came as it was claimed Bishopsfield and Charters Cross residents are unable to sell their homes because of fears over redevelopment of the area.

Rumours have been rife since Harlow Council announced regeneration plans for "priority areas" where homes might be too difficult or costly to improve.

Referring to a recent public meeting, Joshua Jolles (Conservative) told the authority's housing committee on Thursday: "I heard a lot of concern from residents about being kept in suspense and having this word 'demolition' hanging over them."

"Some of the homes in the estate are owned privately

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and, of course, the uncertainty is playing havoc with their property values. Some of them have noticed drops in value of as much as £60,000 in the past six months."

But several estate agencies told the *Star* they are unaware of any such drops in property values.

Juliette Rainbird, from Guardian Residential, said a three-bedroom home in Bishopsfield recently sold for £159,950 – £15,000 more than its value three years ago.

And an agent from Stephen Paul stated: "At the end of the day, rumours are rumours. They wouldn't have devalued by as much as £60,000."

However, Bishopsfield Residents' Association chairwoman Moira Jones claims people have been unable to move: "It's time the council ruled out demolition once and for all."

Mike Danvers (Labour) told Thursday's meeting it was time for the council to clear up the confusion.

"A categorical reassurance must go out to residents of Bishopsfield that there is no intention on the part of the council for demolition of those bungalows," he said. "The message must go out loud and clear that people's homes are safe."

But committee chairman Mark Wilkinson insisted nobody had said homes would be demolished.

"I think there are people on certain estates that have made assumptions and there are also people who have made mischief," he said.

Pool 'should not have been shut'

HARLOW Council should not have pulled the plug on the town's pool and did not go to those best qualified to repair it, according to a top expert.

British Swimming Pool Federation managing director Allen Brobyn said district councils in the UK have failed to approach those most suited to provide estimates.

Harlow Council voted to shut the pool in November after receiving an estimate of £750,000 to keep it running until the new facility opens in September 2009. An earlier estimate of £166,000 was given weeks earlier by the same surveyor, Pellings.

Mr Brobyn said: "Anecdotal evidence suggests they (local authorities) are looking at pools, deciding they can't afford them and closing them on estimates – and sometimes they can be overstated, sometimes not."

He said the pool should have been kept open and refurbished on its current site.

A council spokesman said yesterday (Wednesday): "As they have not had the opportunity to inspect the scale of the works required to keep the pool open, they are not in full possession of all the facts."

"The figures arrived at to repair the pool to the required standard included the cost of meeting modern disability and health and safety requirements, bearing in mind the age of the facility, and therefore the costs would have remained unmanageable whatever contractors were used."

Scouting for joy at funding



SCOUTS in Harlow are celebrating a £9,900 Lottery grant to improve their campsite in Risdens. The money was secured with the help of MP Bill

Rammell and will be used to make the area safer for scouts and other users. Mr Rammell, pictured above with jubilant scouts, added: "I am delighted to have

supported this initiative which I feel is so worthwhile. It is vital that we continue to invest in facilities for young people."

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By KEN MORLEY
Editor

PREPARATIONS for what promises to be one of the biggest fundraising events taking place in Harlow this year got off to a colourful start on Friday with the official launch of the St Clare Hospice Midnight Walk.

If everything goes to plan, three months from now thousands of women will set off on a 10km walk along the town's network of cycle paths and footpaths.

The aim is to raise thousands of pounds for the hospice, which provides round-the-clock care for hundreds of people with life-limiting illnesses.

It promises to be a night to remember... and we want as many of our thousands of readers as possible to sign up and take part. The *Harlow Star* is one of the official supporters of the event, along with our sister paper the *Bishop's Stortford Observer* and ten-17fm.

The Water Gardens in Harlow town centre was awash with pink when scores of supporters pulled on special Midnight Walk T-shirts and donned bunny ears for the official launch. Within just a few minutes people were signing up while many more asked for details.

Registration could not be simpler. All you have to do is fill in the form on this page and send it off to receive a registration pack or log on to our website at www.harlowstar.co.uk and follow the link to the Midnight Walk website where you can register online.

The cost of registration is £15 per walker but of course you can raise much more for the hospice by getting yourself sponsored. You can walk in memory of a loved one you have lost, walk for someone you know who has benefited from the work of St Clare or just walk for yourself.

The walk will be held on Saturday, June 21. To take part you must be over the age of 16. Places are limited and will be allocated in the order entries are processed.

Marshals will be stationed along the route – which starts and finishes at the Water



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Gardens – to guide and assist participants when necessary. The Midnight Walk is accessible to wheelchair users.

Everyone who takes part will receive a special pink T-shirt and goody bag when they arrive on the night.

The walk will be the biggest single fundraising event in the history of the hospice. The annual running cost of the service is £1.8m and it receives 30 per cent of its funding from the West Essex Primary Care Trust.

"Our costs are increasing year-on-year as running costs increase with inflation," said chief executive Richard Cowie. "We are also acutely aware that there are many more people who should have access to our services and care that we can't reach because of limited resources."

The hospice is committed to increasing the services it provides in the community with

the introduction of an independent living team which will visit patients at home to provide complementary therapies, physio and occupational therapy. "We are hoping the funds raised through the walk will pay towards this service and also help us make further improvements to reach even more in the community of West Essex and East Herts," said Mr Cowie. Over the next few weeks the *Star* will be featuring regular updates on the progress of the preparations as well as interviews with some of those taking part.

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Expanding horizons of this women's work



SISTERS were doing it for themselves when Harlow played host to an event celebrating International Women's Day.

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Students from Harlow College staged demonstrations in bricklaying, plumbing and car maintenance while a variety of stalls offered advice about setting up businesses in keeping with this year's theme of women in employment.

The event also featured Indian and Chinese cuisine and activities including yoga, massage and henna painting.

Pictured with some of the food they prepared are, *left to right*, Harlow Muslim Women's Group members Ruha Salam, Rukhsaud Ali, Rashida Gureshi and Shaheeh Shah.

(photo: PPPBG97M/08)

Toilet plague of child sex graffiti

POLICE in Harlow may conduct high-visibility patrols of the town's public toilets following a rash of disturbing graffiti relating to child sex.

One of the town's senior officer wants the facilities subjected to random spot-

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checks and Harlow Council has vowed to prosecute any vandals caught in the act.

Following recent revelations that public conveniences in Old Harlow have been used for illegal sexual encounters, the *Star* has

discovered that many lavatory walls throughout the town have been covered in graffiti of a paedophilic nature.

Toilets affected include those opposite the Greyhound pub in School Lane, adjacent to Stewards School in Staple Tye and in the Town Park next to the popular Pets' Corner.

Among the anonymous scrawled messages are offers of photographs of children being abused and offers of children for sex.

Essex Police stressed there is no evidence of any illegal sexual activity involving minors but said its officers are aware of the graffiti and have been gathering information regarding the criminal damage.

Harlow Inspector Bob Adams said: "We can only act on reports and complaints from members of the public, but I

will personally be pushing for the introduction of high-visibility patrols of every public facility in the town to put a stop to any illegal activity."

The graffiti has repulsed councillor and part-time teacher Muriel Jolles, who said: "My main concern has always been for the safety of children, and the nature of this graffiti is very worrying."

"It's such a shame that some elements of our society have become so depraved that we have to warn and teach young children about the very real dangers of using public toilets."

A council spokesman said the authority was "appalled" by the graffiti and would take legal action against any perpetrators.

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Arriva overcharging pensioner bus fares

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A council spokesman said such problems could be overcome with the introduction of a 'smart card' system on buses,

but this was prohibitively expensive.

He added: "Harlow Council would encourage all concessionary bus pass-holders to look at their tickets and query any that appear to have been issued incorrectly with the driver, and if necessary report it to the council."

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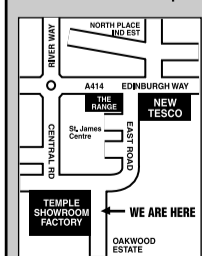


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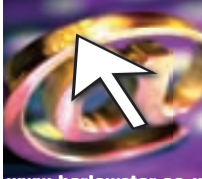
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We're all familiar enough with the invasion of Iraq, the widespread deployment of sky marshals and massively heightened airline security, but one of the changes many might be unaware of is how the tragedy has altered the way Essex firefighters will go about saving lives in any future urban search and rescue situations, such as the collapse of a building.

Darcy, the latest member of Essex County Fire and Rescue Service to complete training, will be at the forefront. She's female, but there's something else unusual about this lady – she's a border collie.

The heroic work of the "9/11 dogs" – the faithful companions of US firefighters which ably and famously helped find trapped people in the aftermath of the World Trade Centre's collapse – left a lasting impression on officials this side of the Atlantic.

It may have taken them six-and-a-half years to get around to it, but last month fire minister Parmjit Dhanda announced that 16 county fire brigades in the UK will receive funding to train up either a collie or springer spaniel to become their own American-style Urban Search and Rescue dog, or USAR for short.

Unveiling the £430,000 investment, the minister explained how Britain's new USARs would follow in the paw-prints of the 9/11 dogs and similar rescue hounds used after the Pakistan earthquake and, closer to home, after the infamous Boscastle flood in Cornwall.

"These dogs are real lifesavers, as

Meet the new front line in saving lives



By
BEN WILKINSON

shown by their heroic efforts in all parts of the world," he said. "Their skills are crucial to giving the fire service the best possible chance of finding people alive in collapsed buildings."

Essex is already ahead of the game. The county's fire chiefs pre-empted the Government move by recruiting Darcy nearly three years ago, meaning she is now fully trained up and ready to be deployed in the event of a disaster requiring search and rescue capabilities. She, along with handler John Ball who has also undergone special training, are now ready for their first call-out.

Darcy was first chosen as a puppy by John and his wife Helen, who works in the Essex fire control room, on the basis of a series of tests.

John said that he sensed a bond straight away: "When we first went to start looking for a dog we went to a breeder and there were all these puppy border collies running around.

"One kept running up to us and sitting on our feet. At the time I felt a bond



LIFE-SAVER: Above, Darcy with her fellow firefighters; left, Darcy and handler John Ball in training (s)

with that puppy and hoped she would be the one we took home."

They were delighted when the tests proved Darcy the most suitable for training; although, as John points out, she has always been treated as a working dog rather than a pet.

"She is a very friendly and playful

dog," he said. "We just have to be more careful with Darcy's obedience, and once you have achieved that relationship you need to keep it up. The training and practice carries on all the time because it keeps both me and Darcy sharp."

Among the series of stringent tests the

pair had to pass before being declared ready for action were building searches, searching over rubble, and searching for a person hidden in a large, 1km sq open area.

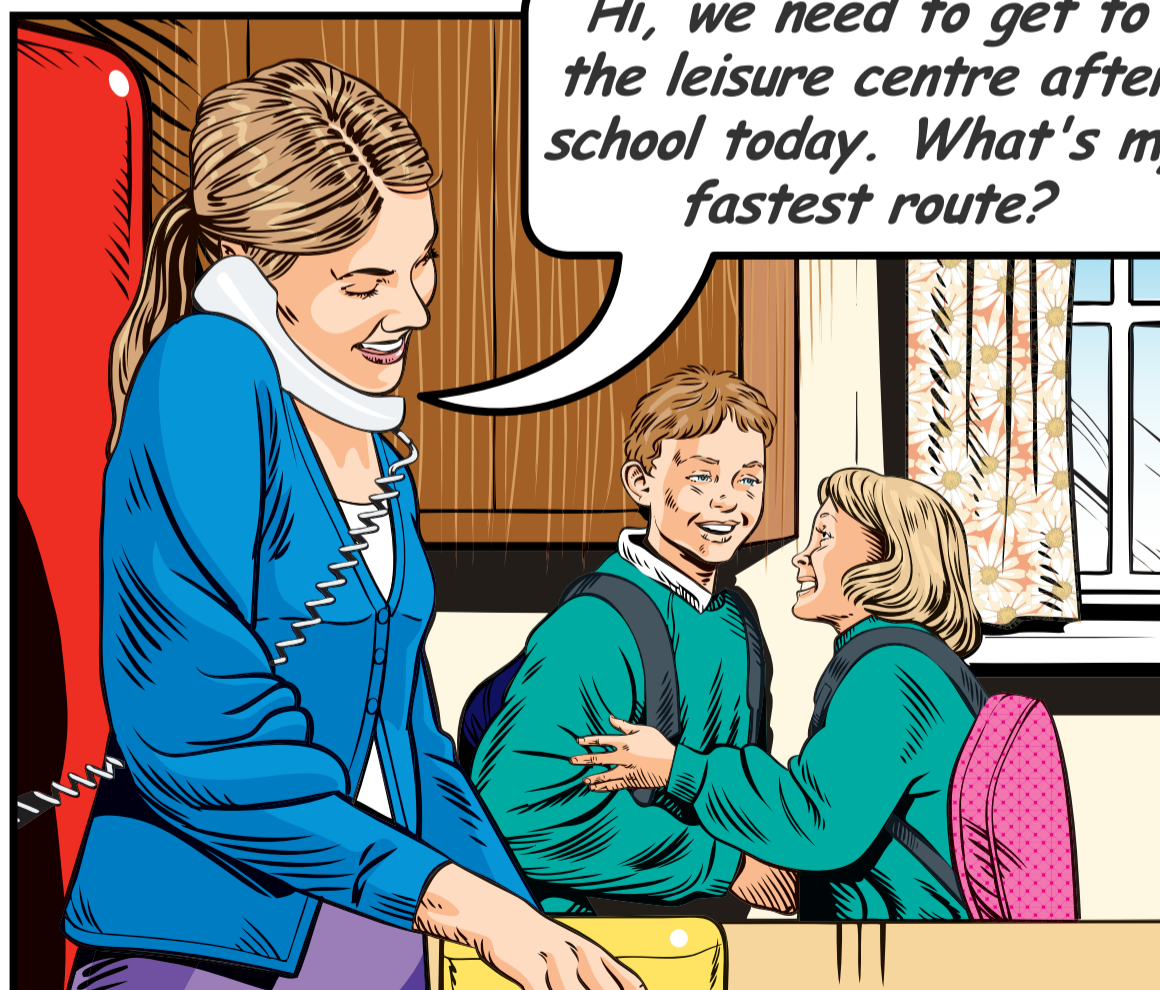
"Darcy and I can really help narrow down a search," said John. "If people are trapped in collapsed structures, the first day is vital – that is the day you are most likely to pull people out alive; after that, the chances drop dramatically.

"If Darcy goes off across the rubble she can quickly identify where more thorough searches should take place and by doing that can cut the search area to a quarter of the size, showing the team where to focus their search with the cameras and other technology."

The kind of advanced training which John and Darcy now undergo to maintain their skills is a far cry from the simple exercises John first used when the rescue dog was still a puppy.

"I would hold a toy by laying on it and wouldn't give it up until she barked," he said. "Indicating where people are is the most important thing so it is vital that she learned to bark to let me know where the rest of the team should start their search.

"I have really enjoyed working with Darcy and now I am just looking forward to getting out on the run with her and putting everything the two of us have learned into practice."



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'Angel' Keeley dies after car smash on A10

A HARLOW-born woman has been named as one of two people killed in a road crash on the A10.

The funeral will take place at Harlow's Parndon Wood Crematorium today (Thursday) of Keeley Thorpe (29), described as an "angel" by her fiancé. Miss Thorpe, whose family live in Dunstalls, grew up in the town before moving to Biggleswade.

She died along with Ronald Leader (81), from Cheshunt, after a crash which happened at 8.35pm last Monday just south of the A10 junction with A507.

Police believe a Volkswagen Polo, being driven by Mr Leader who had been travelling south on the A10 behind an HGV, crossed into the northbound carriageway and collided with the Fiat Punto driven by Miss Thorpe.

Ambulance crews from Bishop's Stortford, Letchworth and Royston were called to scene and found Mr Leader and Miss Thorpe trapped in their vehicles with serious injuries. They were both taken to the Lister Hospital, in Stevenage, but later died. The driver of the lorry was uninjured.

The road was closed while investigations were carried out.

Miss Thorpe's fiancé James Agland (35) said: "She was an angel. She was beautiful, not just in looks but in personality as well. She was always thinking of other people and would never hesitate in putting me or others first."

East of England Ambulance Service spokesman Gary Sanderson said: "First and foremost our thoughts are firmly with their family and friends at this tragic time."

BAA applies for second runway

The blood is the life!



LIFEBLOOD: Pictured at the launch of the service are Mike Mara, front left, with blood bank manager Stephen Tucker (PHOTO: YBN3NCQQ/05)

A NOVEL scheme for motorcyclists to deliver blood to Harlow's hospital is proving a big success.

Blood Runners have been called out to deliver to Princess Alexandra Hospital several times since being launched last week.

The service was enlisted to provide 24-hour blood transportation to the hospital, which previously had to rely on expensive taxis if their daily-delivered supply ran out.

PAH is the first hospital in Essex to sign up to the service but it is hoped more hospitals will join.

AIRCRAFT flying to and from Stansted could become more frequent after airport chiefs unveiled plans for a second runway.

BAA has submitted an application for the extra strip which would see about 486 hectares of land developed and passenger numbers rise to an estimated 68 million a year by 2030 – equal to that of Heathrow.

The vision is set to be developed in phases in line with passenger demand, with a £1.4bn first phase to open in 2015 with capacity for an extra 10 million passengers a year. The entire expansion is expected to cost about £2.27bn.

BAA said the exact flight paths have not yet been decided but it would hope to minimise flight impact over built-up areas.

However, the plans have raised concerns among campaigners and community leaders including Harlow MP Bill Rammell, who said that while he has been in favour of the airport as it is, he is adamant a second runway should not go ahead because it "would create an airport that I think frankly is too large."

Harlow Conservative Parlia-

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mentary hopeful Rob Halfon also has concerns about the impact the proposals would have, citing environmental and economic issues.

BAA states the runway would create an extra 13,000 jobs and financially benefit the area.

Alastair McDermid, BAA director for Stansted Generation 2, claimed the company takes its environmental responsibility seriously, adding: "The potential benefit of a second runway is enormous for business growth, for the creation of thousands of new jobs, for supporting inward investment and for boosting inbound tourism. And the social and cultural benefits of even greater opportunities for leisure travel and to visit friends and family cannot be underestimated."

BAA chairman Sir Nigel Rudd said the project would bring "huge benefits to the East of England and UK economy and will increase choice and opportunity for millions of business and leisure travellers".

The plans were submitted to Uttlesford District Council on Tuesday and are due to go to a public inquiry, with a result expected between 2010-2011.

Royal Mail cut in office hours triggers upset

OPENING hours at Royal Mail's callers' office in Harlow are to be cut, sparking a backlash from people living in Sawbridgeworth who have been forced to use the facility after theirs' closed.

Officials from the firm have confirmed the facility in Stone Cross will close five hours earlier, at 1pm, on weekdays from March 31.

The news has angered Sawbridgeworth residents who say the revised hours will make it virtually impossible for them to collect their post – the service is only open until 12.30pm on Saturdays. The move is also expected to impact on Harlow residents.

Retired postal worker Charles Dobson, of Lawrence Moorings, Sawbridgeworth, said making customers collect their own letters and parcels could be classed as breach of contract.

"If you pay for a service then you are entitled for that service to be executed," he said. "We pay Royal Mail postage so that should guarantee delivery. They haven't got a clue how to run a business; they haven't thought at all about the repercussions."

A Royal Mail spokesman said the changes to opening times at both Sawbridgeworth and Harlow were the result of "balancing resources and customer usage".

"What's important to remember is a visit to a callers' office is increasingly unnecessary as there are a number of ways customers can now arrange redelivery, either online or over the phone," he added.

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Plain facts for housing fight

A MEETING has been called to outline the facts surrounding a proposed major housing development in Epping.

Residents affected by plans to build almost 400 new dwellings next to St Margaret's Hospital, in The Plain, will be gathering tomorrow (Friday) to listen to information obtained by opposition campaign group Plainly Say No.

Group co-ordinator Jeanette Goatcher hopes the discussion will arm residents with the relevant information to take to the public display, being held from 5.30pm on Monday at Epping Hall, in St John's Road, at which developers and councillors will be present to answer questions.

The meeting will be held in the Jack Silley Pavilion, Stonards Hill, Epping from 7.30pm.

Rent arrears set to be written off

ALMOST £40,000 worth of rent arrears are set to be written off by Harlow Council.

Housing committee members voted on Thursday to recommend that £38,451 of tenants' unpaid bills be dropped, in most cases because legal action to recover them is not possible as the debts are more than six years old.

The move is expected to be rubber-stamped by the council's policy and resources committee tonight (Thursday).

Tributes after councillor dies

By **BEN WILKINSON**
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TRIBUTES have been paid to Harlow councillor and community figure Robert Eschle, who died on Sunday.

Mr Eschle (69), *pictured right*, passed away peacefully after a long illness. Despite his condition, he maintained his community involvement and continued to attend council meetings until just a few weeks ago.

A Harlow College governor, former magistrate, retired teacher and a key figure in Harlow Council for Voluntary Service, Mr Eschle also chaired the town's Fairtrade Group.

He was a member of the Labour and Co-operative parties but was liked and respected across the political spectrum. He began his council career in 1996 as a councillor for Netteswell East and was later a member of Essex County Council from 2001-



05. Most recently he served as a district councillor for Bush Fair ward. He was due to retire in May.

He was also a member of the United Nations Association, as well as a keen churchgoer.

Harlow Council chairwoman Lorna Spenceley said his death was "sad news indeed", adding: "Rob was a

man with a tremendous sense of commitment to the town and its people, and he will be much missed.

"One of Rob's passions, on which I worked with him recently, was Fairtrade - he took the lead in Harlow's application for Fairtrade Town status and it is fortunate that he lived long enough to see it granted."

Joint Harlow Council leader Tony Durcan said: "Rob was a man of great integrity, a hard-working and dedicated councillor who will be sorely missed by the local community and the council. Our thoughts go out to his family and friends."

Liberal Democrat joint council leader Chris Millington added: "I was so sorry to hear that Rob has passed away. He worked tirelessly for the community and will be a great loss to Harlow and to the council. We will miss him."

Conservative opposition group leader Andrew Johnson said: "His passing is a great loss to us all and my prayers are with his family and many friends."

And former council leader Martin Lawn, who worked with Mr Eschle in the Fairtrade Group, said he will be "sorely missed by many people."

Mr Eschle, who lived in Chapel Field, leaves his wife Annette, as well as children and grandchildren.

His funeral takes place at Holy Cross Church, in Tracys Road, on March 26 at 10am.

New surveys give PAH fast feedback

PATIENTS at Harlow's hospital are being given a better chance to rate the quality of their stay, thanks to a new hi-tech method.

Princess Alexandra Hospital has introduced a new computer survey system which allows people to comment on their care and treatment as well as staff attitude and food, with the feedback being sent immediately to hospital chiefs.

It is expected the new system will gather up to 10 times more information than traditional pen-and-paper surveys and will provide a better indication as to which areas need improvement.

PAH nursing director Yvonne Butcher said: "These new trackers allow us to receive instant feedback on what we are doing right and which are the areas where we might need to improve on what we are doing for the benefit of our patients."

"More importantly, the information we will gain is up-to-date, enabling us to react immediately to people's concerns on an ongoing basis."

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Kay's first memories of Colt Hatch

READER Kay Thompson writes with memories of Colt Hatch from 1957, when her family moved to nearby Canons Gate.

"The shops included a paper shop, greengrocer and an ironmonger on the corner, which eventually became a

hairdressing salon. There was also a community centre where the British Legion used to meet. I particularly remember the supermarket – instead of subtracting money for special offers at the till, they used to Sellotape money onto the goods.

"I also recall running up the road towards Colt Hatch with my two small daughters, hoping to see the Queen and Prince Philip when they visited Harlow. I just managed to see the car as it went past me, but it nearly ran me over!"

Hut's entertainment in the 1970s



(photo: The Museum Of Harlow)

THERE has been lots of talk recently about the future of The Playhouse; apparently the powers that be consider the theatre too humble for the dynamic metropolis it is envisaged our expanded town will become.

So here's a flashback to 1971 for a look at how it all started. This picture, which surely boasts its own element of theatrical farce, shows the first Playhouse Box Office.

Located in Broad Walk, the hut opened for business in June 1971, in advance of the theatre itself. On sale were tickets for *Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs*, due to open on Boxing Day. The hole was for the purpose of providing an electricity supply.

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Bells rang for the final time

B RAYS Grove pupils currently have the unusual and unenviable experience of seeing at first-hand a school being wound down as it prepares for closure.

Back in the 1980s, many more children, and their parents, were going through the same thing as not one but two secondary schools felt the County Hall axe in a major education shake-up.

The proposal was to close Latton Bush and Netteswell schools, and do away with the sixth forms in Harlow's six others. Instead, pupils aged 16-19 would attend a new tertiary college, created using the buildings of the Technical College (which was near The Playhouse) and Netteswell, where the modern day Harlow College is now.

Parents of Netteswell pupils were informed of the plans in a letter sent out by headmaster M.A. Poulter on September 16, 1981.

"You will be informed officially of the plan by the County Education



By **BEN WILKINSON**

Officer early in October and there will be opportunities for you to give your opinion of it," he wrote. "The teachers and all who work at the school have already done so.

"As well as informing you of the plan before you read about it in the local papers, I want to reassure you about the education of your children."

Parents were anything but reassured and a Save Our Schools campaign was launched with backing from the district council, community associations, trades unions and the local Labour and Liberal parties.

A poster from the time railed: "When the current upturn in the number of births works through, schools will be unable to cope. By 1989, there will be as many school pupils of secondary age as now. Same needs, fewer resources."

As the campaign stepped up, the school choir at Netteswell even

recorded a song, *1984 Ain't Far Away*, which was sold as a single.

But the protests were in vain and the bells rang for the final time at both schools in 1984. Latton Bush became the Latton Bush Centre and the new two-site Harlow College was created, later moving entirely onto the former Netteswell site.

Upper Stonyfield resident Irene Bailey remembers the time well – her eldest son Keith was Netteswell's last head boy.

"Our three sons were pupils there at the time, so you can imagine how devastating the news was," she said.

"Although we were certain everything was already cut and dried, as parents we all had to do something.

"Petitions were signed and, along with many other parents and children, my husband went by coach to Chelmsford. There they marched to County Hall and handed in the petitions, but nobody would come out and speak to them."

● Do you have memories of the school closures or photos of the protests? *Nostalgia* would love to hear from you.

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MURDER HUNT

A MURDER investigation has been launched in the Virgin Islands after the death of 18-year-old Harlow seaman Terence Trowsdale.

Terry, of Potter Street, was found dead on the USA-owned island of St Thomas on March 5.

The tragedy happened while he was on shore leave from the frigate HMS Euryalus, during a five-day trip to the Caribbean.

THEATRE TRUST PANNED

A PLAYHOUSE employee hit out this week against Harlow Theatre Trust – and she has resigned despite a petition asking her to stay.

Assistant general manager Mrs Bettine Manktelow said

the trust's management committee was "widely extravagant" with grants.

"I have a diploma in theatre management and a lot of experience, yet these amateurs try to tell me how to do my job," said Mrs Manktelow.

PRAISE FOR ROOF-TOP RESCUE

TWO Harlow policemen have been praised for the way they dealt with a youth who was threatening to jump from the top of a building.

Police Sergeant Ian Debbage (29) and PC Terry Smith (35) came to the rescue of a mentally handicapped 16-year-old who was on the roof of the "banana" flats in Brocklesmead.

STRANGER IN THE SKY

DID anyone see anything strange in the skies above the town last week?

Looking up at the midnight sky, Giles Boeree, of Ducketts Mead, Roydon, saw an irregular sausage shape moving quickly across the horizon.

He said: "There were lots of lights which were flashing on and off at the same time."

DO YOU REMEMBER?

Do you have pictures or memories of celebrity visitors to Harlow in times past?

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Plan to combat bad behaviour

THE fight against anti-social behaviour in Harlow's council estates has been stepped up with the adoption of a new action plan.

Harlow Council's housing committee approved the new strategy on Thursday as part of the authority's bid to meet the Government Respect Standard for Housing Management.

The committee was told considerable progress has already been made in tackling nuisance behaviour among council tenants, with complaints dropping from 179 in 2005-06 to 120 in 2006-07, and to just 77 in the current financial year up to the end of January.

To continue the trend, new measures will be introduced including a stronger focus on mediation services, intensive tenancy support and the prioritisation of diversionary techniques such as early intervention to crack down on young offenders.

Cable cut kerbs council's power

COUNCIL offices in Epping were running on emergency power after a high voltage electricity cable was accidentally cut by contractors in the High Street on Friday.

The Civic Centre was offering a limited service but residents were unable to make electronic payments until the power was restored later in the afternoon.

2020 head puts end to culture of secrecy

Esther celebrates the big 103!

ESTHER Beaty was the toast of the day when she reached the age of 103.

Family and friends joined her at Harlow's Tye Green Lodge care home for cake and sherry to celebrate her special day last Wednesday. Staff who organised the party also presented her with a bouquet of flowers.

Mrs Beaty, who has been at the care home for the past few months, lived in Epping for 77 years.

She was born one of 10 children in Walthamstow in 1905 and was married to her late husband George for 80 years. Together they had three children and today her extended family comprises seven grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Pictured, right, is Esther with carer Grace Lloyd.

(photo: FTX3RHHP/04)



THE new chairwoman of the Harlow 2020 Partnership has promised to expose the secretive organisation to greater scrutiny in future.

Jackie Sully replaced former chairman David Ellerby last summer and told members at its first ever public board meeting on Friday that she is committed to promoting "transparency and openness".

She admitted that in the past the group had "done itself no favours" by failing to be open to public scrutiny, but hoped that under her stewardship it would have greater interaction with Harlow residents.

The 2020 group was set up in 1995 by Harlow Council and other local service providers to provide a co-ordinated approach to the development of the town.

Speaking after the meeting, Ms Sully acknowledged: "In the past there have been all sorts of false rumours about money in brown envelopes and shady deals involving 2020.

"In part it was our own fault for doing everything behind closed doors, but now I want to open things up to the public so they can see exactly what we do and how

By **CHRIS MOSS**

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we work.

"This open board meeting was the first step in achieving this and we will be concentrating more on engaging with the public and listening to what they want from us, because ultimately it's we who represent their interests."

The group has been widely criticised as a non-democratic quango with no real powers, and its poor communication with the press and public has spurred questions as to the point of its existence.

But Ms Sully, who also runs local charity Rainbow Services, dismissed the criticism and pointed to some of the group's achievements as proof of its value.

"We played a very active role in securing the funding for Occasio House and also played an important part in the development of The Water Gardens complex," she said.

"Although we have no legal powers as such, our real power lies within the individuals who make up the board - we have some of the town's most influential people involved, all working together for the best interests of Harlow and its people."

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Bus strolls past its first anniversary

FAWBERT AND BARNARD PRIMARY: Youngsters at the Old Harlow school had a spring in the step when they celebrated their walking bus' first year in service.

The bus, on Wednesdays, collects children from a designated pick-up point, where parents can either join in or leave them to walk to school with trained adults.

They celebrated the first anniversary with a goody bag and a slice of celebratory cake, walking off the calories on the way home.

The school's Christine Baxter said: "It's becoming more and more popular all the time – the numbers have gone from five when it started up to 15 now."

(photo: KWQRZVRD/01)



Toddlers learn about flying medics



HOLY CROSS PRE-SCHOOL: The role of airborne paramedics was brought down to earth when the children at the Traces Road pre-school had a flying visit from a special guest.

Essex Air Ambulance volunteer Theresa James dropped in to say a big thank-you to the children, who raised £490 for the service with a penny jar and a table top sale.

They were also all given a Pilot Pete teddy, mascot of the service, as a special treat for their efforts.

A spokeswoman for the pre-school said: "It's great for the children to give something back to the community and for them to learn about how important things like the air ambulance are."

(photo: LPJ7NHMS/04)



They're living in the eighties

STEWARDS: Poodle perms and legwarmers were the order of the bygone day when pupils at the Parnall Road school staged their latest musical extravaganza.

The retro-cool *Back To The '80s* involved a cast of 40 singers and actors telling the story of a high school graduation in the days when Margaret Thatcher was in charge and Noel Edmonds was in his prime on children's TV.

With songs such as *Wake Me Up Before You Go Go* and *Video Killed the Radio Star*, the cast wowed a packed hall.

Assistant headteacher Marie Erwood said: "Ultimately, the good guy won the hand of the fair lady and the show ended with the high school prom and a wonderful version of *Time Of My Life*."

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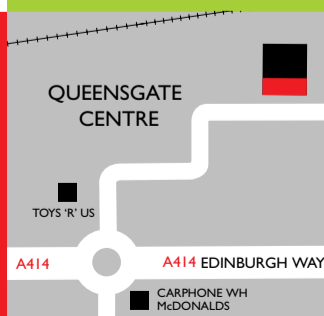


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Family Announcements

Deaths

ROBERT ESCHLE

Passed away peacefully at home on 9th March 2008, aged 69 years, after losing a long and brave battle. He was a much loved Husband, Dad and Grandad. He will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. The funeral service will take place at Holy Cross Church on Wednesday, 26th March at 10am. Family flowers only, donations to Marie Curie may be sent c/o Co-operative Funeralcare, 20 High Street, Old Harlow, Essex CM17 0DW. Tel: 01279 441444.

PATRICK WILLIAM (TERRY) FELTHAM

Passed away peacefully on the 6th March aged 77 in Perth, W. Australia. Dearly loved husband of Daphne, father of Paul, Susan and Debbie, grandfather of Krizim, Cassie, Danny and Ricky. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him, but always remembered in our hearts with a smile. "Accentuate the Positive"

RON FERRY

28.2.1925 - 6.3.2008
Goodnight Captain Ron. Love all your grandchildren and great grandchildren.

RONALD FERRY

Died 6th March, aged 83 years. To our darling Dad. You have taken a piece of our heart that will never be mended. Love and miss you forever. June and Terry Pat and Pete

RONALD FERRY

Beloved husband of Violet passed away suddenly on Thursday 6-3-2008. Rest in peace my darling. Funeral to take place March 18th at 3.30pm. Family flowers only or donations made payable to Daniel Robinsons, charity to be decided. Violet.

TRACEY ANNE FULTON

In loving memory of Tracey Anne Fulton born 3rd June 1970. "A most beautiful person" who sadly lost her battle with Cancer on Thursday 6th March 2008 at 3.45pm. Beloved wife to Rob, mother to Amy and daughter to Jasmine and Trevor. Tracey will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. The funeral is to take place on Thursday 20th March 2008 at St Mary Magdalene Church, Potter Street, Harlow at 1.30pm, followed by cremation at Parndon Wood Crematorium, Harlow. Floral tributes to be sent to Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow CM20 1QP. Tel: 01279 426990. Sleep peacefully darling until we meet again.

RONALD FERRY

ADORED DAD
You held my hand when I was small
You held my hand as I grew tall.
Values taught, love gained, till we meet again.
Rest in peace, sleep tight
Cathy and Martin

LILIAN LETHERBARROW

Passed away on 5th March 2008. Beloved Mum, Nana and Great Nan. Sadly missed by family and friends. Funeral to take place at Harlow Crematorium on 19th March, 12 noon. Flowers (by 10am on 19th) and donations to RSPCA c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow.

FRANK NOLAN

Sadly passed away on the morning of March 4th, aged 81, at Princess Alexandra Hospital. Loved by two daughters, Linda and Deborah and by two granddaughters Regan and Stacey, who he will be sadly missed by, but forever in our hearts. Funeral to be held at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Tuesday 18th March at 2.30pm. All welcome. Flowers to be sent to Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow CM20 1QP. Tel: 01279 426990.

FRANK NOLAN

Sadly passed away on 4th March, beloved grandfather, sadly missed by his granddaughters, Stacey and Regan.

FRANK NOLAN

We will miss you always Dad. From Linda, Alan and Deborah

ALICE O'REILLY

Passed away 11/3/08 aged 81. "Mum you were the best Mother in the world" Loving daughter Kathy and the family. Funeral details from Daniel Robinson & Sons. 01279 426990

JOHN RITCHIE

Sadly passed away on 8th March 2008, aged 79 years. He will be missed by all his family and friends. The funeral is to take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Thursday 20th March 2008 at 2.00pm. All enquiries to Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow, Essex CM20 1QP. Tel: 01279 426990.

LEN THOMPSON

1938 - 2008
Passed away peacefully Saturday March 1st. Service to be held at Parndon Wood Crematorium on Wednesday 19th March at 2.30pm. All donations and flowers to Daniel Robinson by 9.30am on the day of the 19th March. Donations to Cancer Research UK. Sadly missed but never forgotten. Love you always, your daughter Sharon and family, daughter Nikki and family and son Jason.

KEELEY THORPE

Died suddenly on 3rd March 2008. Donations to RSPB Contact Daniel Robinson 01279 426990

KEELEY THORPE

Keeley we will always love you. You will always be in our hearts big sis. All our love Verity and Fauve
XXXX

In Memoriam

FLORENCE ANDREWS

Remembering my lovely wife and mother, four years have passed but my pain gets no better. Love you always Alf

FLORENCE ANDREWS

There is nothing I can say that will ease my pain of losing you on March 6th 2004. I will love you always xxx Alf

ANDREWS. — Flo. A special mum, forever in our hearts and memories. Love always, Lyn and Chas. xx

ANDREWS. — Flo. A wonderful mum and nan. Always thinking of you, miss you so much. Love Chris, Derek and family. xx

ANDREWS. — Flo. Nan, 4 years have now passed, yet it feels not that long ago. Love you forever, Kevin and Livvy. xxxx

ANDREWS. — Flo. Nan, we miss you more than words can say. Love Tracy, Ian, Alfie. xx

BALL. — Valerie. Sadly taken on 14th March 2004. My beloved wife for 53 years. A superb mum to Andrew and Kevin, and devoted nan to Kelly, Michael and Kendall. Valerie, still missing you constantly and love you forever. John.

TREVOR BUTLER

Passed away March 12 2007. Always in our thoughts and hearts. Vic, Liz, Lisa, Steve, Berni, Thomas, Tyler.

FAMILY NOTICES

Births, Marriages, Deaths, etc.

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ADA EGERTON

March 1984
My most precious Mum. A heart of gold all your hard life. Forgetting never the day we lost you and until that longed for day when I see your lovely smile and face. My love forever, Iris xxx

MOURNIAN. — Giles. Passed away 14th March 1965. R.I.P Always in our thoughts, will never be forgotten. Love Diane, David and family.

JAMES REDINGTON

Remembering a dear friend on what would have been your 29th Birthday. Thinking about you now and always. Love Adam and family.

REG REEVE

In loving memory of a dear Dad and Grandad who passed away 16th March 2007. Thinking of you always. All our love Jane, Tony, Sam and Callum
XXXX

STEWART. — Horace. Died March 12 1977. In our hearts you will always stay, loved and remembered every day. In loving memory. From your wife Thelma, children, partners, grandchildren, partners and great grandchildren.

MARY WESTNIDGE

12.3.04
Mum, Nan and Great Gran. Always in our thoughts and remembered with love. Never forgotten. Love Jayne, Steve, Ami, Holly, Barb, Cliff and families.

Return Thanks

BURTON. — Beryl. Anne, Frank, Roy, Denise and grandchildren wish to express their thanks to all who attended the wonderful service conducted by Jan in their recent bereavement. Thanks to all family and friends for their help and those who sent messages of sympathy. Sincere thanks to Daniel Robinson & Sons for their care and consideration.

IAN McNAUGHTON

16.04.29 - 17.03.06
Forever in our hearts. Always in our thoughts. xxx

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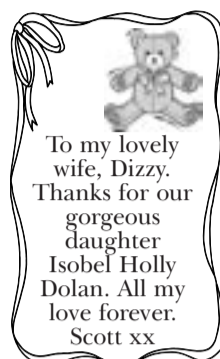
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Births



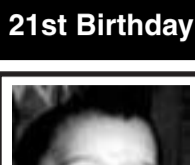
To my lovely wife, Dizzy. Thanks for our gorgeous daughter Isobel Holly Dolan. All my love forever. Scott xx



EVIE WATTERS
Happy 1st Birthday sweetie for the 17th March. Love you so much. Love always Mummy and Daddy xxx



ROSS BARNES
Happy 18th Birthday, 13 March. Lots of love. Lee, James, Mike, Lou, Mark and Nan xxxx



KEELEY ANDREWS
(Saint Patrick's Baby) Have a super day. Lots of love and kisses Mum and Dadxxx



SARAH LANSDSELL
Happy 21st Birthday. Love from Mum, Dad, Nathan, Kristina, Nan, Auntie Jane, Uncle Ian, Amanda and Amy



WAYNE COOPER
Happy 40th Birthday, Love Karen. Happy Birthday (Dad). Love Harry and Hannah.

80th Birthday



STAN MUNN
Happy 80th Birthday. Love from Jean and Carol. Simply the best xx

Engagements Congratulations

ELLIE and DANNY

"CONGRATULATIONS" On your engagement. With love and best wishes from all your friends at the Herts & Essex Observer xxx

2nd Birthday



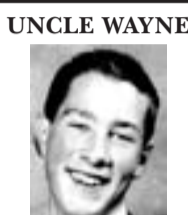
CHARLIE GEORGE HARVEY
Happy Birthday. All our love Nanny Lorraine, Grandad Doug, Auntie Suzie and Great Grandad George.



Dear **SHANE BRETT**
Happy 18th Birthday on 16th March. Love Mum, Ryan, Rebekka, Family and Friends xxx



KEELEY
Happy 21st Birthday sis. Have a great day and don't burn out your wheels on Saturday. Lots of love Dan and Becks xxx



UNCLE WAYNE
Happy 21st Birthday. Love Charlie, Niamh, Albey xxx



MARK NEWMAN
Happy 40th Birthday. Darling, 16.3.08. Have a lovely day. All our love always. Love from Debbie, Bailey, Sarah, Luke, Emily and Sam xxxxxx

Birth Congratulations

IT'S A **GIRL**
ELLIE AIMABLE
Congratulations on the birth of your beautiful daughter 29th February. Well done Emma and John. Much love Mum, Dad and Rob



CHARLIE GEORGE HARVEY
Happy Birthday. Love you millions, Mummy and Daddy.



16/3/08 **Mitchell John Hunter**
Happy 18th Birthday, all my love xx Mum xx



NIESHA DELL
Happy 21st Birthday for 15.3.2008. Have a lovely day darling. Love you lots. Nan and all the family xxxxx



KARLEY DUERDEN
Happy 30th Birthday dear Karley and Happy Birthday to Danny her partner on the same day! All our love Mum and Dad Tanya and Craig xxxxx



STUART WILSON
Happy Birthday for the 16th. Love, Lesley, Malcolm, Samantha, Mike, Jade, Ross and Joseph xxx

IT'S A **BOY**
KERRIE BLACK and CHRIS GRINSTEAD
Congratulations on the birth of baby Joshua, 5th March 2008. Lots of love Mum, Colin and family xxx.

4th Birthday



BOBBIE RAE
Happy 4th Birthday to my darling daughter and granddaughter on 16th March. Love you Mummy and Nanny (Paula) xxx.



JESSICA MITCHELL
Happy 18th Birthday, 17th March 2008. Love Mum, Dad and Harriet xxx



WAYNE LEWIS HEAPY
Happy 21st Birthday. Love Dad, Lloyd, Karen and Adam xx



KARLEY DUERDEN
Happy 30th Birthday. Loads of love Danny and Archie x



STUART WILSON
Happy 40th Birthday, 16th March. All our love Jenette, Ryan and Laura xxx

IT'S A **BOY**
NATHAN MATTHEW HELDER
Congratulations to Rob & Belinda on the birth of your precious son, a brother for Jacob, on 6th March 2008. Lots of love from Mum, Dad, Anne & Dave. xxx

18th Birthday



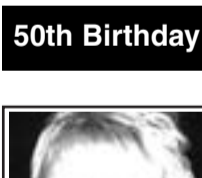
CLAIRE ROACH
Happy 18th Birthday (12th March 2008). With love from Mum, Dad, Mark and all the family xx



JO-ANN HOWELL
Happy 21st Birthday Sweetie. Love you always Mum, Dad, Anthony, Nan and Grandpa, Nan and Grandad, Auntie Karen, Uncle Bill, Aaron and Nicole xxxxx

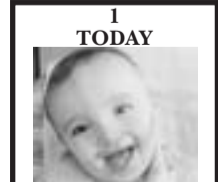


LOUISE PERRIN
Happy 30th Birthday Perrin! Have a fab time. Lots of love, your Girls and their Boys xxx



LOOK WHO'S 50!
Happy Birthday **DEBBIE** Love Kim, Claire and Lisa

1st Birthday



DANNY JOHN MCCARTHY
Happy 1st Birthday Scrummie. Lots of love and hugs Nanny & Grandad Bambam.



ROSS BARNES
Happy 18th Birthday. Lots of love Mum, Dad and Georgia xxxx



LAURA JAYNE SIRACUSA
Happy Birthday. 18 on the 18th. Lots of love Mum, Dad and David xxx



LAUREN
21st Birthday. 17th March. Love Mum, Leia, Evie, Brad, Chris, Nan and Grandad.



WAYNE COOPER
Happy 40th Birthday, Love Mum, Dad, Nan, Amanda, Phil, Amelia, Nathon.

60th Birthday

Happy 60th Birthday Catherine Watts on March 18th. Enjoy the bus pass. All our love Bruce, Amanda, Blossom, Matilda, Phoebe and Molly. xxx.

Thankyou

Thank you MAXINE VENABLES
I would like to thank my Stacey, Donna, Linzie and Tom for my wonderful surprise party. I'm so proud of you all. xxxxx Love Mum. Thanks to everyone who came.

Thank you JULIA STEVENS
Thank you my bestest friend for all you've done for me, your "OLD" mate. Love Maxine xxx

LOULOU'S 40TH
Thank you for my surprise party to Mum, Mick, Philip, Dave and Shaun. I didn't have a scooby! Also thanks to all my friends - you know who you are and family for making my 40th special. With love from me x

Engagements

Engaged
Mr and Mrs Ian Ellis of Bury Green are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter Penelope Susannah to Simon "Guff" Gover, son of Mr and Mrs Merville Gover of Wareham, Dorset.

Marriage Congratulations

GARETH PHILLIPS to ROSEMARY WHELAN



Following a Civil Ceremony at Hertfords Oak Room on 21/2/08. Gareth and Rosie had their marriage blessed at St Mary Magdalene Church, Potters Street on Saturday 23rd. They have just returned from a honeymoon in Antigua and we wish them much love and happiness always. Mum, Sarah and Nanny

Golden Wedding

JOAN and GEOFF KIRBY



Happy 50th Anniversary Mum and Dad. With love from Jacqui, Craig, Sevket, Helen, Jake, Ella, Joel, Louis, Lily-Rose and Mason

Doreen and John GRAY

To our dear Mum & Dad, Nan & Grandad. Congratulations and best wishes on your Golden Wedding Anniversary 15th March 2008. All our love, Colin, Yvonne, Jeff, Jill, Lyn, Pete and all your Grandchildren xxxxx

Golden Wedding

Mick and Margaret WHAY
Happy Golden Wedding Anniversary. Love from Carl, Sally, Glen, Asha, Thomas, Victoria and Remi

Silver Wedding

JOHN and MANDY WALSH
Love from Mum, Dad, David, Kelly, Sue, Bob, Victoria, John. Love from us all on your Silver Wedding Anniversary.

RANGERS CLUB



SECRET MESSAGE Jrog roccubf jrub o shat'f poh nhuoxf qajb? Ru tugf gaog ojol

Keep the roads safe for wildlife

THE next time you are travelling with your mum or dad in the car, tell them to watch out for wildlife on the roads!

New research has shown that more than one million animals and 10 million birds are killed on UK roads every year.

Now conservation groups are attempting to stop the trend. They are appealing to drivers to take extra special care while travelling at certain times of the year such as when animals are migrating or coming out of hibernation.

For it is at these times when they are more likely to accidentally wander out into the road.

The animals most at risk of being hit by vehicles on country lanes include deer, rabbits, foxes, hedgehogs and badgers. Experts say the unnecessary deaths are putting already



endangered species even more at risk.

But it's not just animals in the countryside that are affected –

around 20,000 urban foxes also die on roads in towns and cities every year, as well as pet dogs and cats.

Rangers FactFile

NAME: Eloise (member 849)

DATE OF BIRTH: March 14, 2000

ADDRESS: Churchgate Street, Old Harlow

SCHOOL: Churchgate Street Primary

HOBBIES: Karate, swimming, playing on her computer

DISLIKES: Going to bed

FAVOURITE FOOD: Pizza

LEAST FAVOURITE FOOD: Vegetables

FAVOURITE TV: Zac & Cody

FAVOURITE MUSIC: Mika

FAMILY: Brother, Max (5)

PETS: Pink the cat

WANTS TO BE: Happy

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Developing YOUR neighbourhood



Old Harlow

In 2006 Harlow Council was successful in its bid for nearly £10m funding from the Department of Communities and Local Government to help renew four neighbourhoods in the town.

During 2007 a number of meetings have been held in Old Harlow with local residents, traders and services to discuss the needs of the community. This has helped inform the design of the scheme and has ensured local opinion has been heard throughout the planning process.

Harlow Council and Harlow Renaissance are now inviting all residents who live in Old Harlow or use its services, to attend an Information Evening to see the final proposed design for the area.

The meeting will be held on
Tuesday 25th March at 8.15pm
at **St. John's ARC**

Whilst there is no need to book a place please be aware that the Hall can hold a maximum of 200 people. Please note that due to the hall being used by another group prior to the meeting, access into the main hall will be available shortly after the class has finished.



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Birthday congratulations

TODAY

OLIVER (member 150), of Great Brays, Harlow, is 12 and retires from *Rangers*.
JACK (member 757), of Moorfield, Harlow, is 5

FRIDAY

AIDEN (member 517), of Wharley Hook, Harlow, is 12 and retires from *Rangers*.
ELOISE (member 849), of Churchgate Street, Old Harlow, is 8: **JACK** (member 487), of Campbell Close, Harlow, is 6

SATURDAY

ELLIOTT (member 606), of Heathcote Gardens, Harlow, is 8

SUNDAY

Twins **LEE** (member 152) and **MATTHEW** (member 153), of Westfield, Harlow, are 12 and retire from *Rangers*. **KATIE** (member 476), of Sibneys Green, Harlow, is 11; **KIERAN** (member 037), of Waterhouse Moor, Harlow, is 10

MONDAY

OLIVER (member 291), of Doughton Close, Harlow, is 12 and retires from *Rangers*.
SAMUEL (member 919), of Burley Hill, Harlow, is 10

TUESDAY

CALLUM (member 463), of Perry Springs, Harlow, is 8; **KYRON** (member 497), of Longfield, Harlow, is 7

WEDNESDAY

LIBBY (member 878), of Spencers Croft, Harlow, is 3



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On Thursday 20th March 2008
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Monday 17th March

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The Epping Bookshop, in High Street, has once again been shortlisted for the prestigious Independent Bookshop of the Year Award and will be hoping to fight off competition from stores in Colchester, London and Hoddesdon to scoop the coveted accolade.

Opened in 1979, the store has a 12,000-strong email database, a regular events programme and works closely with schools in the area. It was nominated for the same award last year.

It will be judged on a range of bookselling disciplines, including diversity of stock, staff knowledge, buying judgment and web innovation, with customers' feedback also taken into account by the panel.

Owner Lorna Clark said: "To be nominated for this prestigious award in successive years is a real honour."

"We have dedicated, highly trained, efficient and friendly staff, an excellent stock and will do anything we can to help our customers, including tracking down out-of-print books."

"Independent bookshops have had a difficult time over the past few years but it is gratifying to know how much we are appreciated by our customers."

Training venture builds for future

By CHRIS MOSS

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A NEW training firm in Harlow is promising to give its students the tools for success in the construction industry following its official opening on Friday.

Construction Training Partnership, in new premises at the Harlow Enterprise Centre, in Burnt Mill Estate, is the brainchild of business partners John Collyer and Alan Westall, and offers a range of bespoke training courses for people of all ages.

All programmes are split into units, allowing students to pick and choose the disciplines that suit their employment needs, with options ranging from painting and decorating to bricklaying.

Each course is run by qualified personnel holding industry-recognised trade qualifications, and all staff are accredited Construction Skills and City & Guilds assessors.

Students can choose which qualifications they want to work towards, with the firm offering a range of tailor-made NVQ, Btec National and OSAT courses.

Mr Collyer said: "This is something I've considered doing for some time now, but now everything is in place to make this firm successful."

"Having lived in Harlow all my life, I've



BUILDING UP: Partners John Collyer, left, and Alan Westall

(photo: PZBG3MQV/01)

always felt that there is inadequate training provision for those wanting to break into the construction industry, and now I'm determined to offer people of all ages and from all walks of life the opportunity to achieve their goals.

"From the very first day at CTP each learner will begin a journey that is tailor-made for them and them alone. Through this bespoke, personalised learning we can ensure that every learner will reach their maximum

potential."

And depending on the success of the Harlow branch, Mr Collyer hopes to expand the business and open further centres in the area in the near future.

"I'm confident we can make a great success of this and I hope to open another two training centres once we've got this one off the ground," he added.

For details, call (01279) 424121 or visit www.construction-training-partnership.co.uk.

Funeral firm is open to offer a family touch

A NEW funeral directors promising to offer a friendly and supportive service to the bereaved has opened in Harlow.

Family firm F.J. Pinnock & Son, in Bush House, Bush Fair, provides a comprehensive range of funeral services, including horse-drawn hearse funerals, monumental masonry, floristry and pre-paid burial plans.

Although the firm is new to Harlow, it has been successfully operating in Epping and Nazeing for more than 60 years.

Owner Michael Pinnock said: "We take great pride in giving the personal support and advice that only a family business can offer."

"Many people have questions and concerns about the steps to take following a bereavement, and my wife and I will do our utmost to help you and put you at your ease."

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No GSK charges in Seroxat probe

HARLOW'S biggest employer will not face prosecution in relation to allegations of withholding information about the safety of an anti-depressant drug linked to a heightened risk of suicide in the young.

GlaxoSmithKline, in Pinnacles, was the subject of a four-year investigation into whether it had released information in a timely manner on the safety of Seroxat for users under 18.

The anti-depressant has been shown in clinical trials to increase suicidal thoughts in under-18s and is also ineffective at dealing with depression in that age group.

The investigation arose as a result of concerns that GSK had withheld the information for some time.

It was the UK's largest investigation of its kind and the final report was more than one million pages long.

The Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency, which conducted the inquiry, was told by Government prosecutors that there was no realistic

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prospect of a conviction and the case should not proceed as a criminal investigation.

MHRA chief executive Kent Woods said: "I remain concerned that GSK could and should have reported this information earlier than they did."

"This investigation has revealed important weaknesses in the drug safety legislation in force at that time."

The law has now been partially changed as a result of the investigation.

GSK maintains it did nothing wrong and Europe medical director Dr Alastair Benbow said: "We firmly believe we acted properly and responsibly in first carrying out this important clinical trials programme and then informing the regulatory agencies when we identified a potential increased risk of suicidal thinking and behaviour in patients under 18."

"GSK is committed to working with the government, appropriate regulatory authorities and other pharmaceutical companies to take whatever action is necessary to improve legislation and policy in this area."

Pair fear dog theft



UPSET: Michael and Caroline Williams are pleading for the safe return of their beloved pet amid fears the animal has been stolen.
(photo: LPJ3VRRJ/02)

WORRIED dog owner Caroline Williams is pleading for the safe return of her beloved pet amid fears the animal has been stolen.

Two-year-old German shepherd Chelsea suffers a rare allergic condition and needs medical treatment. She was last seen with fellow German shepherd Griff in Mrs Williams' garden, in Chalk Lane, Harlow. It was initially thought she had gone after a rabbit but Mrs Williams now suspects she was stolen.

She is now appealing for her return, fearing for Chelsea's health if she is denied her medicine for too long.

"She is okay at the moment but when the weather warms up and the pollen comes out she has trouble breathing and her coat gets itchy and hot and she needs special washes," said Mrs Williams. "We just want her back. My 11-year-old daughter is devastated and Griff, our other rescue dog, is pining for her. It feels like we are missing one of the family."

Mrs Williams (48) said she noticed Chelsea missing at about 6pm on February 17. Her disappearance was reported to police and she is now hoping a cash reward will help reunite her with Chelsea.

"She is such a lovely dog, somebody must have seen her," she added.

Anyone with information should call Harlow police on (01279) 641212 or Mrs Williams on 07885 835319.

Threat to woman

POLICE are investigating after a woman was threatened on a bus in Old Harlow.

The 42-year-old reported being verbally abused and threatened by the man, who is known to her, on the number 333 bus, near The Hoo, at about 7pm last Wednesday.

Officers particularly want to speak to a female passenger who lent the victim her mobile phone to call police.

Witnesses should call (01279) 641212.

Petrol station worker did not commit arson

A MAN has been cleared of arson following a suspicious blaze at the petrol station where he worked as a cashier.

A Chelmsford Crown Court jury took just 20 minutes to acquit Alec Field (29), of Market Street, Old Harlow, of starting a fire that destroyed £959 worth of stock at the Esso garage, in Stansted, on February 4 last year.

Lynne Shirley, prosecuting, said Mr Field was the only member of staff on duty at the time of the blaze, which damaged oils and car care products in a stockroom cupboard.

Fire investigation officials had determined the fire was probably started by deliberate ignition from a naked flame, but Field denied the allegation of arson when interviewed by officers following his arrest.

He admitted he had been into the stockroom many times that evening but claimed he had not accessed the cupboard.

He described how he had gone outside to smoke a cigarette and noticed smoke coming from underneath the stockroom door on his return. He called the fire brigade immediately.

When the prosecution suggested he had started the blaze, he replied: "I'm not that stupid - it's more than my life's worth living."

The jury was shown video clips of CCTV recordings of people visiting the filling station earlier that evening and, under cross-examination by defence counsel Steven Dyble, a prosecution witness confirmed one of the visitors was a former Esso employee who had been dismissed by the company.

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Elderly couple flee from burning home

By LOUISE SASSOON
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AN elderly couple were taken to hospital after their home caught alight while they were sleeping.

A nextdoor neighbour called police after seeing flames licking at the roof of the property in Bishopsfield, Harlow, in the early hours of Saturday morning.

Fire crews were sent at about 4am and the occupants, an 84-year-old man and a 79-year-old woman, were directed to safety in their back garden by firefighters shouting instructions through the letterbox.

They suffered the effects of smoke inhalation and were taken to Princess Alexandra Hospital for treatment.

A joint fire and police investigation is now underway to find out what caused the fire, which is thought to have started in an adjoining bin store.

Detective Constable Dixie Dean, investigating officer at Harlow police, said he wants to hear from anybody in the area at the time.

“The time frame we are looking for in particular is between 3.30-4am on Saturday,” he said.

The fire was put out quickly but the blaze exposed dangerous asbestos. It is understood the couple will be housed in temporary accommodation until it is safe to return.

Station officer John Convey, of Harlow fire station, said: “By the time we arrived, the fire had burnt through the bin store and was moving up into the roof. We saw the elderly couple through a letterbox



(photo: J4DHQX7D/03)

and told them to go as quickly as possible to their garden to safety and then concentrated on getting the incident under control because of the adjoining risks.

“After the initial fire was out, crews cut away parts of the ceiling just to make sure the fire was fully out.”

He added: “There was no smoke alarm in the property, so firefighters will revisit the area in a ‘hot

strike’ to warn residents of the dangers from fire and to arrange to fit smoke alarms.

“We can only urge people of the value of smoke alarms and would ask everyone to get them fitted. Think particularly of elderly relatives and other vulnerable people within your family and do something today to protect their lives.”

Passmores move given green light by county

MULTI-million pound plans to relocate a Harlow school have been given the green light by County Hall chiefs.

Passmores School, in Tendring Road, will relocate to new state-of-the-art buildings on the site of Brays Grove School, in Tracyes Road, which is due to close this summer. An estimated £23m is to be invested in the project.

The move, agreed by Essex County Council’s cabinet

on Tuesday, was hailed as a positive step for the education of youngsters in the town.

Simon Walsh, cabinet member for schools, children and families, said: “Due to parental preference the demand for places at some secondary schools in Harlow has been dropping.

“Passmores’ move to new and larger purpose-built premises will better meet that demand and ensure Harlow’s

children get the level of education they deserve.”

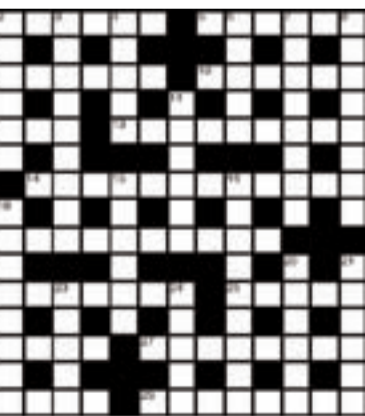
He added: “Developing better skills and securing higher educational attainment priorities in Harlow’s regeneration. This investment at Passmores is a key element of that work.”

Essex County Council anticipates the move will take place in September 2011 with the school initially catering for 1,050 pupils, increasing to 1,200.

crossword

ACROSS

1. Air passage from the throat to the lungs (8)
5. Gigantic tropical African tree (6)
9. Special quality of beer brewed for some Oxbridge colleges (5,3)
10. Port and resort in Brittany (2-4)
12. Japanese immigrant in the USA (5)
13. Sir Andrew -----, character in Shakespeare's Twelfth Night (9)
14. Time when God is supposed to make his final assessment on mankind (9,3)
19. Ship with its principal sails set at right angles to the length of the vessel (6-6)
22. Darker coloured grass resulting from the outward spread of fungus (5,4)
25. Reference line in a 3-D Cartesian co-ordinate system (1-4)
26. Official who enforces the rules of a game (6)
27. Order used to expel tenants from property (8)
28. Slang word for a rascal (6)



29. West Indian music style, a precursor of reggae (8)
- DOWN
1. Hypothetical speculative question (4,2)
2. Person who wears no clothes (6)
3. Thin broth in which meat has been boiled (3,6)
4. City in Majorca, capital of the Balearic Islands (5)
6. Playful trick (5)
7. On one's -----, in acute distress (4-4)
8. Borough of New York on the south-west end of Long Island (8)
11. Spice from an East Indian tree (6)
15. Desert-dwelling rodent (6)
16. German philosopher (1844-1900) who repudiated Christian and liberal ideals and espoused the concept of a 'superman' (9)

17. Right to use and profit from another's property in Roman and Scottish law (8)
18. Slang phrase for a poppet (5-3)
20. Leather from a bovine animal (6)
21. Worldwide collection of newsgroups (6)
23. Tea-like beverage popular in South America (5)
24. Auctioneer's hammer (5)

solution

ACROSS: 1 Windpipe; 5 Baobab; 9 Audit ale; 10 St-down; 1 What if; 2 Nudist; 3 Pot liquor; 4 Palm; 6 Antic; 7 Beam-ends; 8 Brooklyn; 11 Nutmeg; 15 Gerbil; 16 Nietzsche; 17 Unfruct; 18 Cattle pie; 20 Oxhide; 21 Usenet; 23 Verba; 24 Gavel.

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Developer grows more creative with art funds



By
JIM TANFIELD

FINE arts have been given a new financial foundation with the latest sponsorship coming from the town's most innovative developer.

The Gallery At Parndon Mill will now receive patronage from Newhall, the group responsible for the architecturally eye-catching development to the east of Harlow. The link will mean potentially thousands of pounds being made available to host exhibitions and bolster the work of artists and craftspeople resident in the gallery off Elizabeth Way.

Anne Allanson's current exhibition *Mixed Moods* is the first to benefit from the partnership, being located in Newhall's Project Centre.

Gallery founder Sally Anderson said: "The centre's light and airy space has provided the perfect venue to show the larger works."

"The gallery is working to create greater synergy between business and the arts, and this sponsorship does just that."

She added: "There is a natural analogy between the architecture of Newhall and art as the development has a refined focus on the quality of line, form, structure, texture and colour – much of the area of focus for the artist."

Newhall architect William Moen, *pictured right*, said: "Newhall places design and creativity at the top of its priorities for creating a thriving new community. The aesthetic is of primary



(photo: FQMDLJ4G/02)

importance, whether it be the use of national award-winning architects or of locally relevant colour and materials – we think the creative process comes first.

"While art will eventually become an integral physical part of Newhall, as it already is throughout

the rest of Harlow, it is also important to us that Newhall becomes associated with its local art community and artists.

"We want the exceptionally high standards of contemporary architecture at Newhall to become the backdrop for equally exceptional art."

Razed Roof's new connections



(photo: Stage Photo)

A THEATRE company which includes performers with learning difficulties is now part of an innovative new network.

Razed Roof, based at The Playhouse, has joined forces with Harlow Fields Primary School and St Elizabeth's, in Much Hadham, to form a hub of expertise.

This will enhance the group's participation in the New Connections scheme in which well-known playwrights are encouraged to submit works to be performed by groups such as Razed Roof.

Last year, the company's artistic director Annette Lidster applied to Arts Council East for assistance in developing the project. The application was successful and the funding from ACE has enabled the liaison between all the groups and to invite experienced performing arts practitioners, including professional puppeteers, to help them develop performance skills.

The company's next performance will be Harlow Fields Primary's *It Snows* at The Playhouse on Wednesday at 1.30pm. *Pictured, left*, is a scene from its last production, *Willow Pattern*.

Director Sue James said: "The pupils have thrown themselves into this new venture and are all really enjoying themselves and very excited at the thought of performing at The Playhouse!"

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arts diary

MUSIC: Blues band Split Whiskers will be play at Marigolds Music Club, Old Harlow Cricket Club, at 7.30pm tomorrow (Friday). Tickets are £6 from (01279) 427163.

MUSIC: Harlow's De Merc Chamber Choir and conductor Adrian Jolliffe present a concert based around the theme of sleep and dreams on Sunday at 3pm at St Mary-at-Latton Church, in The Gowers, with modern works such as Eric Whitacre's *Sleep* and Christopher Tye's 16th century *In Pace in Idipsium*. Admission is £5 (£3 concs).

TALK: John White will give an illustrated talk about his life as a viola player and professor of viola at The Royal Academy of Music to Harlow Music Society at Great Parndon Community Association, in Abercrombie Way, next Thursday at 8pm. Tickets are £5.50 from (01279) 865879.

DRAMA: Moot House Players present Alan Ayckbourn's *Private Fears in Public Places* for three nights from tonight (Thursday) at Moot Hall, The Stow, at 8pm. Tickets are £8 (£6 concs) from (01279) 639170.

MUSIC: The Alberni String Quartet performs Haydn's *Fifths No2*, Beethoven's *Opus 95* and Schubert's *Rosamunde* on Saturday at St John's ARC, off Market Street, Old Harlow, at 8pm. Tickets are £12 (£10 concs) from (01279) 442447.

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Action romp through a history that never was



HELLO KITTY:
Steven Strait
stars in
10,000 BC (s)

CINEASTES pedantic enough to be bothered about historical accuracy in blockbusters should head for the Natural History Museum instead.

Roland Emmerich's latest surefire smash is about as believable as its crackpot director's suggestion that woolly mammoths were used to build the pyramids.

But what else would you expect from the man who brought us the gormless thrills of *Independence Day* and the unintentional hilarity of *Godzilla*?

If he wants to populate his latest film with violent, over-sized poultry and Neanderthals sporting waxed chests, then who are we to argue?

This typically silly effort is essentially a mash-up of

10,000 BC
certificate 12A, running time 1h48m

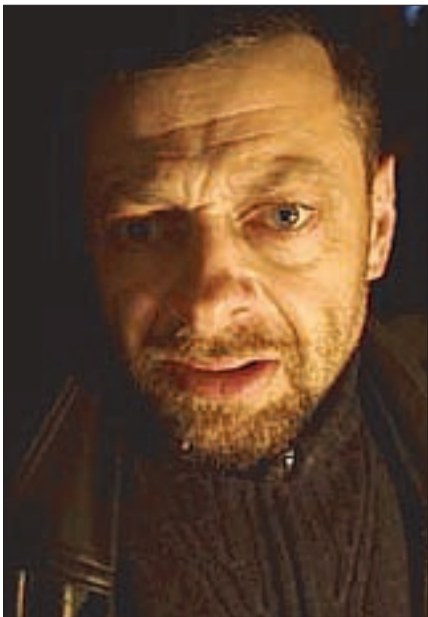
all those old Saturday matinee action films we used to sleep through while nursing an astonishing hangover – films such as near-namesake *One Million Years BC*, *King Solomon's Mines* and *The Land Before Time* – only here produced with a bottomless budget and a bank of powerful computers.

The plot is your standard 'boy meets girl, girl gets kidnapped by sinister people, boy must go on adventure to save girl' fare, only with the added bonuses of beautifully rendered sabre-toothed tigers, the aforementioned industrious woolly mammoths and breathtaking computer-generated landscapes.

Our hero, intrepid hunter D'Leh (Steven Strait), is prompted to leave the confines of his tribe's icy headquarters after a fierce band of marauding slave-traders arrive on horseback to kidnap his sweetheart Evolet (Camilla Belle).

Joined by the great hunter and sage Tic'Tic (no, really) and two others of the Yagahl tribe, the rescuers begin their journey, first crossing a sweltering jungle where they are attacked by what appears to be a flock of hostile chickens.

When they reach the Lost Valley, they unite with an African tribe called the Naku, whose numbers have similarly dwindled because of the evil traders, and must brave an enormous desert before stumbling across a kind of proto-Egyptian civilisation with a penchant for pyramids, slavery and human sacrifice – and guess who's next up on the altar?



HIDE AND FREAK: Andy Serkis plays a kidnapper who hides out in the wrong sleepy village in *THE COTTAGE* (s)

Cottage is not a des res for kidnap couple

THE COTTAGE
certificate 18, running time 1h32m

After a highbrow debut that delved uncomfortably into the murky lives of gangsters and child prostitutes, it may seem puzzling that talented newcomer Paul Andrew Williams has chosen to follow-up the outstanding *London To Brighton* with a slapstick horror featuring lad's mag favourite Jennifer Ellison and an axe-wielding maniac.

Bungling kidnappers Dave (Reece Shearsmith, of *League Of Gentlemen* fame) and Andy (Andy "Gollum" Serkis) are two hard-up brothers who abduct mouthy gangster's daughter Tracey (Ellison) and hide out in a deserted cottage on the outskirts of a sleepy rural village.

So far, so *Emmerdale*, but it soon transpires that said village is also home to a sinister mutant killer who has some very inventive - and deadly - uses for a variety of common garden implements.

Add a pair of crazed Korean hitmen employed by Tracey's rather angry father to seek out and dispose of the kidnapping brothers and you've got all the ingredients for a delightfully gory weekend romp in the countryside.

Those hoping Williams would prove to be the next Mike Leigh and the saviour of British independent film-making may be disappointed, but rom-zom-com fans pining for another *Shaun Of The Dead* will be more than happy.

sound check with Chris Moss

THIS week, in a spontaneous act of goodwill towards our friends at Club Quattroz, *Sound Check* defies convention to give you a sneak preview of an epic Easter Sunday battle between some of Harlow's finest bands.

But why must this most Holy of days be marred by the Devil's music? Well, when the prize involves an envelope full of cash and the chance to share the stage with greaseball garage punks The No Nothings – the snarling side-project of Paddingtons bassist Lloyd Dobbs – on April 4, who can blame anyone for sneaking out of church a little early?

So if you're interested in taking part in the biggest musical event to hit Harlow since the mighty Iron

Maiden turned an entire audience tone deaf back in the early '80s, get in touch with DJ, promoter, maverick and all-round local music supremo Terry Tyler at www.myspace.com/clubquattroz. All entrants will be hauled in front of the most terrifying panel of special guest judges since Strictly Come Dancing: On Ice and ordered to prove themselves worthy of the title of Quattroz Band Of The Year. Oh, and of course, the lucky winners will also get an interview and review in your favourite local newspaper (that's us, by the way). Entries must be in by next Friday and you must be 16-plus to enter (no fake 'taches). Good luck, and maybe I'll see you down the front come April 4 ...

gig guide

TONIGHT CHEQUERS , Market Street, Old Harlow – The Monsters SQUARE , Fourth Avenue, Harlow – showcase gig	Repertoire Dogs SHARK , Hobtoe Road, Harlow – Dr Reelgood HARLOW CRICKET CLUB , Chippingfield, Old Harlow – Split Whiskers
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CD reviews by Paul Newman, Jim

DIG, LAZARUS, DIG!!!
Nick Cave & The Bad Seeds (album, Mute)

The crown prince of mordant goth and lachrymose balladry is clearly up for a party as he and his endlessly productive band release their third album in a year. From the sly humour and stripped down energy of the opening track and *Today's Lesson*, this is a raucous powerhouse of an album with the confidence to hang onto a few ragged edges and delivering the same kind of rollicking intensity as Tom Waits' *Mule Variations*. No room for his almost-trademark exquisite broken-heart songs here, not amid the hallucinatory swamp fever dreams of *Night Of The Lotus Eaters* or the scathing God-baiting comic irony of *We Call Upon The Author*. Cave and the Bad Seeds are flying high right now and *Dig, Lazarus, Dig!!!* is another spectacular blast into the wide blue yonder.

TOWN BEYOND THE TREES
The Storrs (album, Hall)

They may hail from deep in the Welsh valleys, but you'd be forgiven for thinking this lamentable troupe of starry-eyed charlatans have spent years losing themselves in the Nevada

also showing

THE OTHER BOLEYN GIRL. A sensual tale of intrigue, romance and betrayal as two beautiful sisters, Anne and Mary Boleyn, are driven by their family's blind ambition to compete for the fickle heart of King Henry VIII.

VANTAGE POINT. The attempted assassination of the US president is told from five different perspectives as the CIA try to find the would-be killer.

THE GAME PLAN. Likeable family comedy in which an NFL quarterback enjoying the bachelor lifestyle discovers that he has an eight-year-old daughter and must learn to be a good father.

BANK JOB. Apparently based on the true story of the 1971 Baker Street bank robbery, Jason Statham stars in a twisting tale of secrets, lies, royal scandals, Government gagging orders and how one of the biggest blags in British history took place with no arrests ever made nor any cash recovered.

RATATOUILLE. Brilliant CG film about an Epicurean rat desperately trying to save his favourite Parisian restaurant from a critic's poison pen.

DADDY DAY CAMP. Two jobless fathers try to keep their summer camp afloat under dire financial strain in this so-so comedy with former child-star Fred Savage.

THE GOLDEN COMPASS. Sumptuous adaptation of Philip Pullman's bestselling novel, in which a young girl journeys to the far North to save her best friend and other kidnapped children from sinister experiments carried out by a mysterious organisation.

previews

HORTON HEARS A WHO! Horton the Elephant struggles to protect a microscopic community from his neighbours who refuse to believe it exists in this kids' CG romp.

THE SPIDERWICK CHRONICLES. Upon moving into the run-down Spiderwick Estate with their mother, twin brothers Jared and Simon Grace find themselves pulled into an alternate world of faeries and other mystical creatures.

HANNAH MONTANA 3D. A 3-D concert film of last year's worldwide Hannah Montana/Miley Cyrus tour.

Paul Newman reviews a selection of the latest releases on DVD

A big leg-up for exploitation films

PLANET TERROR
(Momentum Pictures, 18, retail & rental)

For his half of the sadly bisected *Grindhouse* double feature, *Sin City* director Robert Rodriguez delivered this manic, hyper-cool and deliriously trashy survival horror flick to sit alongside Quentin Tarantino's road thriller *Death Proof*.

It's less authentically an approximation of an early '70s exploitation movie, and in many ways its toxic sludge zombies over-running America in a slap-up banquet of gore, gunfire and gloop owe far more to the direct-to-video movies of the early '80s, but there's no denying that it's a hoot from start to finish.

Rose McGowan, pictured right, is go-go dancer Cherry Darling, boasting a cute line in self-deprecation and all set to take off for a new life as a stand-up comedienne when an escaped virus turns the world upside down, transforming those it infects into body-warping flesh-eaters.

Down but not out when she loses a leg in a roadside attack, old flame El Wray (Freddy Rodriguez) is on hand to fix her up with a custom-made heavy machine gun as a replacement as the pair lock and load to do battle with the melting mutations after falling in with a group of survivors.

Rodriguez's ethic is simple and to the point – if it looks cool, do it. With this in mind, he serves up an array of fun cameos from the likes of Bruce Willis, make-up guru Tom Savini and Tarantino while featuring such oddball characters as Sheriff Hague (Michael Biehn) and his brother JT (who have to overcome their long-standing animosity over the latter's secret best-ever barbeque sauce recipe) and the gung-ho Babysitter Twins.

The pace is relentless and the deliberate deterioration of the film (scratches, pops, burn-outs, jumps, a missing reel and colour-ageing) only adds to it, making its comic book violence seem far more savage than it might otherwise look and giving a choppy edge to the explosive firefights and barrelling car chases.

Gormless, graphic and laugh-out-loud gratuitous – popcorn movies are seldom this relentlessly entertaining.

Among the many extras on this two-disc release are a fascinating *10-Minute Film School* by Rodriguez, his excitable and endlessly enthusiastic commentary track and five entertaining featurettes on the cast, effects and production.

Star rating: ★★★

WEIRDSVILLE
(Contender Films, 15, retail)

Existing somewhere in a stoned Canadian hinterland between *Clerks* and *My Name Is Earl*, *Weirdsville* is just what is says on the box – a consistently enjoyable exercise in sustained drug-addled oddness.

Slacker addict buddies Dexter and Royce (Scott Speedman and Wes Bentley) start the night trying to sneakily bury their friend Matilda (Taryn Manning) in a drive-in cinema after she apparently overdoses, only to discover she's not really dead in the first place after stumbling on an hilarious coven of rubbish Satanists.



The night goes from bad to worse as a drug dealer demands either the money they owe him or their thumbs, prompting them to embark on a ridiculously dim-witted bit of burglary, with the Satanists in bungling hot pursuit believing Matilda now possesses demonic powers intended for them and a carload of vertically challenged medieval knights getting in on the action.

Writer Willem Wennekers' script is a joy, peppered with sharp witticism and keeping faithful to it's own internal logic, while director Allan Moyle combines excellent timing and photography with a killer soundtrack.

There's a raft of fun extras too, but nothing nearly as delightfully mad and entertaining as the film itself.

Star rating: ★★★★★

WHISPER
(Entertainment In Video, 15, retail & rental)

Very much a retread of *Damien: Omen II* in places (right down a drowning under a frozen lake and a possibly demonic nipper) from the producers of *White Noise*, this slick supernatural thriller follows the worsening fortunes of a gang of kidnappers who find out the hard way they've chosen the wrong kid to snatch.

Creepily self-assured eight-year-old David (Blake Woodruff) seems to have an uncanny knack of seeing right inside the heads of his captors, using their fears and weak spots to turn them against each other once they hide out in a remote snowbound cabin.

There's little here that's new, but a solid cast featuring such talent as Michael Rooker and *Lost*'s Josh Holloway carry it off well and director Stewart Hendler marshals his set pieces scares impressively.

Star rating: ★★

EX DRUMMER
(Tartan Video, 18, retail)

Possibly one of the most squalid films I've ever seen; not in the slightest bit likeable yet oddly watchable, and with a great metal/punk soundtrack, *Ex Drummer* the story of three disabled wannabe musicians in Ostend who approach successful middle-class writer Dries to be their percussionist.

Evidently a bit of lifestyle tourist, he agrees (not being able to drum is his 'disability') and what follows is a cavalcade of sexual perversion, brutality and a wallow in the sheer bloody pointlessness of lives lived in a cultural and emotional vacuum.

Director Koen Mortier seems too desperate to offend or appal (and, credit where it's due, it's something he manages often thanks to moments of gratuitous violence and a startling prosthetic body part), an ambition which sits oddly alongside his highly inventive visual style and a great eye for visual composition.

It's dubbed a black comedy hybrid of *Trainspotting*, *This Is Spinal Tap* and *Man Bites Dog*, but I'm not sure any of that comes close to how generally despairing, grubby and off its face this movie really is.

Star rating: ★★

★★★★★ unmissable ★★★★★ very good ★★★ good ★★ fair ★ don't bother

Jim Tanfield and Chris Moss

basin on a horse with no name, such is their unapologetic rip-off of West Coast Americana. Unfortunately, this pedestrian effort is more Bryan Adams than near-namesake Ryan, and any passing resemblance to Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young is shot to pieces by mawkishly sentimental lyrics and nauseatingly MOR production values. The fact they've shared a stage with the likes of Elton John and Katie Melua should be enough to convince most to dig out their old Byrds records instead of wasting their cash on this plastic country effort.

FABRIC LIVE 39
Robert Hood (album, Fabric)

And the beat goes on with Fabric close to catching the *Now That's What I Call Music...* franchise in the proliferation stakes. This, despite the market-flooding tactics of the club's own label, is one of the best in recent times. Hood takes the Detroit- and techno-inspired tracks and organically blends them into a blissful set, and contrary to the OTT releases of late embraces minimalism, as silence is often far more powerful than bombast – just ask Wagner! Hood's own remix of Diego's *Mind Detergent* is the quality offering in the piece.

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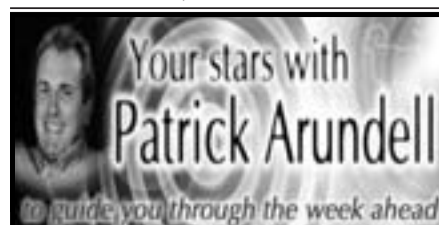
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If you were a builder, you'd choose this week to prepare plans to build your show house. Anything that requires patience, a sure hand and common sense will come naturally to you. However, if you are more gregarious, you can surprise friends with the need to find a little more "you time". If so, don't feel guilty about this. Privacy can be essential. Call me for your romantic forecast in full.

Taurus Apr 21-May 21

Teamwork can take you far. Even if you're a Taurus who loves doing your own thing, joining with, rather than going it alone, can be good for the soul and be fun. If you belong to clubs of any type these too can be a rewarding area. In romance, the friendship element of a current relationship can shine through, or will it be a pal's attraction for you? Call to hear which zodiac signs can be fun.

Gemini May 22-Jun 21

You've needed to be more independent and someone may have found this hard to understand. This person could have a traditional mindset and believe your responsibilities should always come first. Now however, you can talk this through and find that you have more in common than you thought. Job-hunting? The signs are promising Gemini. Call for more on Saturn's link with feisty Mars.

Cancer Jun 22-Jul 23

A super time for a vacation. Fresh air, brisk walks and extra sleep can all be perfect. If this is not on your schedule, firm up plans for later in the year. Psychologically, having something to look forwards to can give you a lift. With Mars now back in your sign, people can seem more receptive – important if you desire greater approval and respect. Call to hear why higher education is key.

Leo Jul 24-Aug 23

A sultry time ensues. Seems unlikely? Where's your faith Leo? Your romantic situation can change quite radically by the month's end, and this can come from your own growing ease with being close. Dialogue is important, but it is intimacy - if a situation feels right - that can help to bond you and your amour, or bring someone new to your world. Call to hear how someone can be so generous.

Virgo Aug 24-Sept 23

If one relationship has drained you, is it because you've been obsessing with the areas that make you different? If so, this week's healing and diplomatic moves of Mercury and Venus can see an improvement. If you shift a little and the other person does too, you can both soon close the gap. Harmony is definitely something to aspire to. Call your Virgo Prediction Line for more details.

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Libra Sept 24-Oct 23

If you've been enjoying yourself, it's time to get your mindset back on life's nitty-gritty issues. A few early nights may neither be amiss. And the more you concentrate on the things you have been avoiding, the more the sense of satisfaction you'll develop. If you work behind the scenes, great strides can be made even if this is not commented upon. Call me for more advice and insights.

Scorpio Oct 24-Nov 22

Both short- and long-term hopes start to shape up positively. Travel plans can be finalised, but also you can feel a good deal more sociable. If you've been waiting for the right moment to let someone know that you're attracted to them, you'll have the added confidence and charisma to do so now. Your sense of humour can help to beguile them. Call to hear which zodiac signs can be very alluring now.

Sagittarius Nov 23-Dec 21

Are you as happy in your home as you could be? Even if your abode is comfortable, you can be minded to play host. Yet if you have been thinking of a new decorative scheme, now you can find the spark to do something about it. Family relationships can also benefit from a more nurturing vibe. Old memories can be happily shared between you and loved ones. Call me for your cash scope.

Capricorn Dec 22-Jan 20

Your ruler Saturn forges a link to the go-getting Mars and on this occasion, the union can be productive. If you need to get an expert opinion, this guidance can prove invaluable. The pace of life can also zip along this week and there can be lots of happy chatter to enjoy. Take on mental challenges and quizzes – you can truly shine. Call to here why ideas are so important now.

Aquarius Jan 21-Feb 19

Attention to detail can have positive implications. Your ideas have been farsighted, but it's how you apply them that counts from now, and if you're thorough, your finances particularly, can start to pick up. Indeed before March comes to a close, there can be a pure piece of luck. Even if you're not fatalistic, a turning point can be reached. Call me if you are in the mood for a sultry time.

Pisces Feb 20-Mar 20

Astrology is like the seasons. Everything goes in cycles and this week can be an encouraging time. The self-doubts, anxieties and hidden issues that have plagued you can now melt away. Expect your popularity to pick up too Pisces. A new Spring romance can soon be in the air or a tie that has bumped along the bottom can begin to revive. Call to hear why this can be a time of new starts.

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- We should appreciate letters of application and CVs (including the names, addresses, telephone and fax numbers of 2 referees) as soon as possible, please. Closing date for applications **Monday 7th April**. Interview date still to be decided. **Please state clearly your Easter holiday dates in your letter of application.**

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 - The opportunity to develop as a Subject Leader.
- Candidates are warmly invited to visit the School. Further information and application forms are available from the School. Closing date: 11/04/2008. Interviews in the week of 21/04/2008.



The Herts Mind Network is a mental health charity providing a diverse range of Recovery based services across South East Herts, East Hertsmere, Watford and Dacorum.

To further develop our service provision in South East Herts, we are seeking to recruit to the following newly created roles:

Community Resource Co-ordinator (35 hours/week) Salary £22122 - £23749 + £535 Outer London Weighting

Working within the Bishop's Stortford, Ware, and Broxbourne areas, the post holder will support people, individually or as part of a group, to develop new and stimulating opportunities within the community. You will be an experienced mental health worker or counsellor who can take a person centred approach to working closely with service users to achieve their aims on their journey towards recovery. As part of the South East branch of the Herts Mind Network, you will line-manage the Community Resource Worker and a small team of sessional workers to deliver this project. (Reference CRW1)

Community Resource Worker (25 hours/week) Salary £17154 - £20099 pro rata + £535 Outer London Weighting pro rata

Your experience in a mental health or caring environment, combined with excellent communication and interpersonal skills, will enable you to work alongside service users to support them in accessing a range of Mind and community based resources. (Reference CRW2)

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Herts Mind Network are keen to recruit a team of creative and enthusiastic people to support and deliver a range of structured and open door groups across the South East. These roles are an exciting opportunity for anyone looking to move into mental health or for more experienced facilitators or trainers to develop their understanding of mental distress.

A clean driving licence and the use of a vehicle are essential for all positions. An enhanced CRB disclosure is required for all of these posts.

If you interested in shaping the mental health services provided in the South East, then please email: info@hertsmindnetwork.org or call: **08444 77 22 12** for further information and an application pack.

Closing date: 5pm, Friday 28th March 2008
Interview date: Friday 11th April 2008
Website: www.hertsmindnetwork.org



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Ref: ACO2

Closing date: 31 March 2008

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6**PUBLIC NOTICES****GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE**

TERENCE JAMES HILL, CHRISTINA VALERIE HILL, TONY JAMES HILL and LISA JAYNE HILL trading as Hill Demolition and Skip Hire of 1-3 Edinburgh Place, Edinburgh Way, Harlow, Essex CM20 2DJ are applying to change an existing licence as follows: to keep an extra six goods vehicles at the Operating Centre at 1-3 Edinburgh Place, Edinburgh Way, Harlow, Essex CM20 2DJ.

Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Eastern Traffic Area, Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds LS9 6NF stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representatives must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

Essex County Council**SCHOOLS, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

Proposal to discontinue Purford Green Junior School and proposals to enlarge the capacity and increase the upper age limit of Purford Green Infant School to enable it to become an all through primary school

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Education and Inspections Act 2006 ("The Act") that Essex County Council intends to make the following changes:

Part 1

In accordance with section 15(1) of the Act to discontinue Purford Green Junior School, (Community), Purford Green, Harlow, Essex, CM18 6HP, on 31 December 2008.

All statutory consultation requirements in respect of this proposal have been complied with.

It is anticipated that pupils attending Purford Green Junior School at the time of the closure will transfer onto the roll of the current Purford Green Infant School which, under related proposals (see Part 2 of this Notice), will be enlarged and its upper age limit increased to become an all through primary school. Alternatively, admission may be sought to other schools in the area that have places available. Current and forecast primary pupil numbers for the area indicate that all of the displaced pupils can be accommodated without a need for any school within a two mile radius of Purford Green Junior School to be required to admit more pupils than it has the capacity to accommodate.

Since Purford Green Infant School shares the same site as Purford Green Junior School no specific arrangements are proposed for the travel of displaced pupils to other schools. It is anticipated that the majority of pupils at the School will transfer onto the roll of the enlarged Purford Green Infant School. (See Part 2 of this notice.) There are sufficient primary school places available within a two mile radius of Purford Green Junior School to enable local families to continue to walk, cycle, or use public transport to attend school.

Transport arrangements for pupils attending alternative schools will be in accordance with the County Council's published policy. (See explanatory note below.) However, individual cases will be considered on their merits.

Part 2

In accordance with section 19(1) of the Act, to:

- alter the upper age limit of pupils attending Purford Green Infant School, (Community), Purford Green, Harlow, Essex CM18 6HP School from 4-7 to 4-11; and
- enlarge the capacity of this School.

Both of these proposed alterations will take effect from 1 January 2009.

All statutory consultation requirements in respect of these proposals have been complied with.

The current capacity of the School is 135 places and the proposed capacity after the alteration will be 315 places.

It is intended to admit up to 30 pupils, aged 4-5 years, to the Reception class at the School in September 2009, the first school year after the alterations.

The published admission number of 30 pupils per year will be lower than the school's capacity to admit, which will be 45 pupils per year. It is anticipated that the lower figure of 30 will be sufficient to meet current and forecast demand for places at the all through primary school.

There are currently 79 pupils on roll at Purford Green Infant School and 112 pupils on roll at Purford Green Junior School.

If the proposals are implemented the enlarged Purford Green Infant School, providing education for pupils aged 4-11, will operate on both the Infant and the former Junior School sites, which adjoin.

Complete copies of the proposals can be obtained from School Organisation and Planning at the address provided below.

Within six weeks in respect of Parts 1 and 2a) of this Notice, and within four weeks in respect of Part 2b) of this Notice, from the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to, or make comments on, the proposals by sending them to the: Executive Director for Schools, Children and Families, C/o School Organisation and Planning, Schools, Children and Families, Essex County Council, PO Box 4261, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1GS, or via e-mail to admin.strategy@essex.gov.uk

Signed: Carey Bennet - Executive Director for Schools, Children and Families, Essex County Council

Dated: 13 March 2008.

Explanatory Notes

The proposals to close Purford Green Junior School and enlarge the capacity and increase the upper age limit of Purford Green Infant School to enable it to become an all through primary school are related. This means that both sets of proposals should either be approved or rejected i.e. the closure of Purford Green Junior School should only be approved if the proposals to enlarge and increase Purford Green Infant School are also approved.

A copy of the County Council's Home to School transport policy can be obtained from the School Organisation and Planning team at the address provided above.

Essex County Council**PARKING AND WAITING ORDER CHARGES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Essex County Council has opted to implement the Higher Band of penalty charges, being £70 and £50, as detailed in The Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (Guidelines on Levels of Charges) (England) Order 2007.

DATE OF OPERATION: The charges will come into operation on 31 March 2008.

FURTHER DETAILS: A copy of the related orders and Statutory Instrument may be examined at all reasonable hours at Development, Highways and Transportation, County Hall, Chelmsford and local District/Borough Offices.

Dated: 13 March 2008.

County Hall

Chelmsford

Tony Ciaburro

Director of Development, Highways & Transportation

LOOKING FOR VETS?**GO TO SECTION 5****INSOLVENCY ACT 1986****IN BANKRUPTCY**

Bankruptcy Orders have been made in the undermentioned Courts against the following (note: all debts due to the estate should be paid to me):

HERTFORD COUNTY COURT

No. 94 of 2008 RE: LAIRD ERIC LESLEY LUCAS a self employed Gardener/Driver, residing at 78 Beaconfield Road, Epping, Essex, CM16 5AT

— on 20 February 2008

No. 95 of 2008 RE: PATRICK MICHAEL CANNON a Graphic Designer residing and trading as DIZZYMOTHER LIMITED, 108 Coalport Close, Church Langley, Harlow, Essex, CM17 9RA

No. 96 of 2008 RE: LISA MAY CAROL FALLON Unemployed residing at 98 Perry Spring, Harlow, Essex CM17 9DJ

— on 21 February 2008

No. 109 of 2008 RE: RICHARD PAUL FALCONER Unemployed residing at 208 Willowfield, Harlow, Essex, CM18 6RZ and lately of 94 Birchdene Drive, London, SE28 8RP

No. 108 of 2008 RE: CHRISTOPHER SAYER an Administration Team Leader residing at 125 Waterhouse Moor, Harlow, Essex, CM18 6BG and lately of 56 Victory Road, Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, CO15 3DY

— on 22 February 2008

No. 119 of 2008 RE: MICHAEL JAMES HOWARD a Self Employed Builder residing at 13 The Drive, Harlow, Essex CM20 3QD

No. 117 of 2008 RE: KAM LAI POON Unemployed residing at Flat 4, 20 The Rows, The High, Harlow, CM20 1BZ and lately of 1 The Rows, Harlow, Essex CM20 1BX and lately trading as The Jean Harlow, Mr Poon Chinese Takeaway, 1 The Rows, Harlow, Essex CM20 1BX

— on 27 February 2008

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

No. 10580 of 2007 RE: GLENVILLE FRANCIS BEER currently a Financial Consultant of 117 Davenport, Harlow, Essex, CM17 9TJ

— on 22 February 2008

Mr A Hannon, Official Receiver, 2nd Floor, Abbeygate House, 164-167 East Road, Cambridge CB1 1DB

IN LIQUIDATION**CAMBRIDGE COUNTY COURT**

No. 1046 of 2007 RE: NORRIS & TAAFFE LIGHTING & ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES LIMITED I intend to pay within four months from 9 April 2008 (being the last day for proving) the first and final dividend of 10.07 p/c. Creditors who have not yet proved their debts must do so by 9 April 2008 otherwise they will be excluded from the dividend. The required proof of debt form is available on the Insolvency Service website (www.insolvency.gov.uk, select "Forms" and then form 4.25). Alternatively, you can contact my office at PO Box 490, Ipswich, IP1 1YR telephone 01473 383535 to supply a form.

L Thomas, Official Receiver and Liquidator, RTLU, P.O. Box 490, Ipswich IP1 1YR

GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE

JOHN ATWELL trading as John Atwell Transport Ltd of 24 Hawkenbury, Harlow, Essex CM19 4HY is applying for licence to use TNT Fashion Group, Site 2, Unit D, Riverway Ind Est, Harlow, Essex CM20 2EY as an operating centre for 4 goods vehicle and 0 trailers. Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Eastern Traffic Area Office, Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds LS9 6NF stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representatives must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE

WINCANTON GROUP LIMITED t/a Wincanton of Methuen Park Chippenham Wiltshire SN14 0WT is applying to change an existing licence as follows: To add an operating centre to keep 95 goods vehicles and 100 trailers at Wincanton for Comet Comet Southern RDC Arrow Park Edinburgh Way Harlow Essex CM20 2DF. Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Eastern Traffic Area, Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Harlow, Essex CM20 2DF. Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Eastern Traffic Area, Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Harlow, Essex CM20 2DF. 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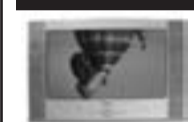
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Results

SATURDAY MARCH 8

Football
Bishop's Stortford, Stansted & District League, Inter-Div Plate 2nd rnd: Sheering Reserves 1, Birchchanger 0.
Prem div: Debden res 0, White Roding 5; Loughton 1, Hatfield Heath 2; Old Street 0, Alemite Ath 3 (Lewis Eaglestone, Gavin Cockman, Sean Warren); North Weald 0, Quendon 3.
Div one: Dunmow Rhodes 5, Frontiers 2; Hatfield Heath res 1, Lower Street 0; North Weald res 4, Salvation Army 2; Potter Street A 1, Albury 1; Thaxted Rangers res 0, Heath Rovers 5; Thorley Park 1, Avondale Rangers 2.

SUNDAY MARCH 9

Harlow & District League, prem div: Rouge Lyon 0, Maypole 0; Risden Wd 0, GPCA 4.
Div one: GPCA res 2, Risden Wd res 2; New Tn 1, Lindsey St 2; Maypole Ath res 3, Harberts 1.
Div two: Rhyno 1, Pools 4; FC Parkside 1, Galaxy 0; Athletico UG 3, A&A 3.
Div three: Harberts res 0, Risden Wd A 3; St Germaine 3, UG 3; Brookside 2, Matching Utd 3.
Div four: Broadley Common 4, Cotingham 6; Dynamo 2, Sewardstone 4.
Div five: Altham Grove res 12, Stewards Sp 1; Brookside res 3, Archers Dart 5; Eppaldo v Rouge Lyon (Rouge could not field team).
Essex Junior Trophy semi-final: Maiden 5, FC Drury 1.
Harlow & District League Cup, quarter-final: Marquis 0, FC Drury 1.
Div Four Cup final: FC Clark 2, FC Flare 4 (see next week's Star for pictures and report).

Fixtures

SATURDAY MARCH 15

Football
Ryman League, prem div: Harlow Tn v Maidstone Utd.
Essex Senior League: Burnham Ramblers v Sawbridgeworth Tn.
LFC Insurance Essex Olympian League, snr prem div: Epping v Mountnessing.
Snr div one: Leigh Ramblers v Potter Street, Roydon v Ongar Tn.
Footprint Bishop's Stortford, Stansted & District League, Bill Bruty Cup, 3rd rnd: White Roding v North Weald.
Premier Division Cup, semi-final: Alemite Ath v Loughton.
Prem div: Debden res v Old Street, Pelly House v Potter Street res, Quendon Ath v Birchchanger, Sheering v Hatfield Heath.
Div one: Dunmow Rhodes v Avondale Rangers, Frontiers v Hatfield Heath res, Lower Street v Albury, North Weald res v Thorley Park, Potter Street A v Thaxted Rangers res, Salvation Army v Sheering res, Heath Rovers v Langley Rangers.
Hockey
NE14 East Men's League, div four south east: Harlow v East London II.
Essex Women's League, prem div: Wapping II v Harlow.

Rugby

Essex Cup, semi-final: Rochford Hundred v Harlow.

SUNDAY MARCH 16

Football
Harlow & District League, prem div: Risden Wd v GPCA, Marquis Sp v Parndon.
Div one: Altham Grove v Harberts, GPCA res v Unique, Lindsey St v Old Townmead, Maypole res v Pollards.
Div two: Pools v A&A, Athletico UG v Rhyno, Rouge Lyon res v Galaxy.
Div three: UG v Matching, Harberts res v St Germaine.
Div four: Cotingham v Abbey Albion, Ashfield v Sewardstone, FC Clark v FC Flare.
Div five: Rouge Lyon A v Altham Grove res, Eppaldo v Epping, Matching res v Archers Dart.
Prem Div Cup, semi-final: Rouge Lyon v Old Town.
Div Three Cup final: Brookside v Maiden (at Harlow Town FC).

TUESDAY MARCH 18

Ryman League, prem div: Harlow Tn v Boreham Wood.
Essex Senior League: Sawbridgeworth Tn v Southend Manor.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 19

Capital League, eastern division: Harlow Tn res v Ware res.

Smashing news

Cont'd from back page

There will be a new semi-sprung sports floor, new toilets, showers and changing rooms.

A lift will be installed and the centre will be fully accessible to the disabled.

Upstairs, a new kitchen and social area with a viewing platform will be constructed.

Forde's late strike gives Epping crucial point

A LATE Lee Forde goal salvaged a valuable point for relegation-threatened **Epping** when they drew 1-1 at home to Takeley in the premier division of the LFC Insurance Essex Olympian Football League.

The hosts were trailing 1-0 before Forde headed home an 87th-minute free-kick from the right to equalise.

There was still time for Epping's Glenn Shurety to head inches over from eight yards out.

Tommy Brinkman had cleared acrobatically off the home line in a goalless first half before Takeley went ahead on 60 minutes. Chris Bullock's initial shot was blocked by home keeper Luke Kingston, but the striker reacted quickly to stab in the rebound.

Senior division one leaders **Potter Street** went five points clear after goals from Michael Kennedy and James Cochrane gave them a 2-1 victory over bottom club Stambridge United.

In the same division, Vaughn Affonso scored for Roydon when they lost 3-1 at home to Leytonstone United.

In the Essex Senior League, **Sawbridgeworth Town** were beaten 2-0 by 10-man Eton Manor.

The score was goalless when Manor's Manley Brown was sent off after 50 minutes of Saturday's clash after using foul and abusive language.

The Robins fell behind on 65 minutes when a free-kick from ex-Robins player Jordan Childs found Anton Stephenson. His shot was

blocked by Sawbo keeper Dan Bibby but sub Ricky Hassan turned in the rebound.

Stephenson's 81st-minute penalty sealed the points. This was awarded after a foul by Bibby.

In the Essex Junior Trophy area final, **Maiden** crushed FC Drury 5-1.

Mark Cowley gave the Harlow side an early lead.

However, the visitors equalised in the second half.

Stung, Cowley struck twice more to complete his hat-trick. Further goals from Michael Moore and Josh Lintonbon completed the rout.

In division three of the Harlow & District League, **St Germaine** drew 3-3 at home to UG United. Sam White struck twice for Saints and Lee Exley got the other goal.

Injury mars final



EPPALDO: Division Five Cup final winners, *back from left*, Ben McCormack, Tom Blewitt, Jonny Park, Louis Sanders, Sam King, Sam Keene, Chris Allen, Jel Isaacs, Dan Keene, Adam Burrows, Chris Willis. *Front from left*, Tom Cole, Scott Rodell (captain), Jim Brown, Edd Wells, Rob Warren, Mike Slade

(Photo: RDV3MM7X-02)



HARBERTS A OLD BOYS: *Back from left*, Sarfraz Idrees (manager), Kevin Philbrick, Lee Holman, Carl Saunders, Stephen Ratcliffe, Lee Gardner, Terry Horn, Neil Westgate, John Dawson, James Mooring, Liam Boylen, Shakil Ullah. *Front from left*, Sammy Elgzzar, James Harvey, Sean Bennett, Paul Gardner (captain), Nigel Wright

(Photo: RDV3MM7X-01)

Eppaldo 1, Harberts A Old Boys 0

(Harlow & District League, Division Five Cup final)

A SERIOUS injury to Eppaldo's Dan Keene marred the Harlow & District League's first showpiece final of the season.

Eppaldo were leading 1-0 against Harberts A Old Boys in the Division Five Cup final when Keene sustained an ankle ligament injury just before half-time.

He was stretchered off and taken to hospital.

Earlier, Eppaldo started well in the final which was held at Harlow Town Football Club.

On five minutes Rob Warren drove an 18-yard shot just wide of a post.

Harberts A – in their first ever cup final – struggled at the start and Eppaldo went close again on 12 minutes when Chris Willis played in Chris Allen whose shot went just wide.

Willis also went close after a great run.

On 23 minutes Eppaldo broke the deadlock, Allen's shot was blocked and Tom Cole smashed home the rebound.

Within minutes Allen found Cole whose 18-yard shot curled just inches wide of a post.

Harberts had to wait until the half-hour mark before they had their first real chance when Lee Gardner forced Sam Keene in the Eppaldo goal into a save.

This seemed to wake up Harberts and moments later James Harvey's shot had to be cleared off the line.

Spurred on by the injury, Eppaldo continued to press and Harberts keeper Lee Holman was called upon to make a number of saves.

Allen pulled the strings in midfield, testing the Harberts custodian on a regular basis.

On the hour mark, Harberts had a chance when a free-kick found John Dawson 10 yards out but his header was saved well by Keene.

Harberts searched for an equaliser and Harvey twice went close to scoring but Eppaldo held out and nearly grabbed a second but Allen's shot was well saved by Holman.

However, it was Eppaldo who captured the first piece of silverware this season.

Wise breaks marathon best in Spain

ALAN Wise recorded a personal best time of 3 hours, 9mins and 11 secs at the Barcelona Marathon.

He was one of several Harlow Running Club members competing in either marathons or half marathons.

At the Reading Half Marathon, Vicky Steadman clocked a personal best (PB) time of 1:37.40.

Four Harlow club-mates took part in the Roding Valley Half Marathon around West Essex.

Alan Broughton was first home in 1:25.28. He was followed by John Evans (1:30.42, a PB by 3 minutes), Rick Ricketts (1:30.44) and Vipin Patel (2:06).

At the Brentwood Half Marathon, six members of the Harlow club crossed the finish line.

They were led by Jamie Luck (1:34.52). He was followed by John Bull (1:43.28, PB), Peter Barrett (1:46.44), Vipin Patel (2:00.12), Sharon Coleman (2:03.21) and Ron Luck (2:10.02).

Finally, four Harlow runners participated in the Silverstone Half Marathon.

These were: Grahame Thomas (1:33.52); Matt Jones (1:37.12), Steve Ambrose (1:39.02) and Dionne Jones (1:40.46).

Stalemate as top two clash

THE two teams in the Harlow & District Darts League, Servo Hawks and White Admiral, battled out a thrilling 4-4 draw.

Admiral's Andy Booth notched his second 180 of the season.

Third-placed Young Pretenders capitalised, beating Swift Half's 6-2 including outshots from Pretenders' Gary Barnett (123), Dicky Smith (119) and Dan Wood (108).

For the second week running father and son Ron and Damian Green scored three 180s between them. However, their team, Moot House Arrows, went down 3-5 to CC Whites.

CC Foxes lost 3-5 to UG Social. Nathan Wilkinson (15) hit a superb 150 out-shot, while Foxes' Phil Cox notched his second 180 of the season.

Colt Hatch beat Swift Arrows 8-0.

Teen's English Champ debut

SIXTEEN-year-old Jessica Docking represented Essex in her first ever English Schools Cross Country Championships.

The North Weald-based athlete finished 153rd out of about 350 runners at the event, held in Liverpool.

Jessica's time of 18 mins 10 secs placed her 5th highest scorer for Essex.

She hopes to compete in the same event next year when she will still be eligible for this race.

Coach confident ahead of semi-final second leg

SHAB Niaz is confident that Harlow Hawks can overhaul the six-point deficit they will take into the second leg of their National Founders Cup semi-final tie against Kingston Wildcats in nine days.

Hawks' player-coach said: "It will be a cracking second leg because there is everything to play for."

"Kingston know their lead is very slim and I'm confident that we are more than capable of turning it around at home."

The first quarter on Saturday saw Wildcats have the edge before Hawks started an 18-0 run through three-pointers from Shab Niaz, plus inside scores from Mike Freeman and Dan Scott.

Hawks led 24-17 at the start of the second quarter which was marked by an 8-0 run for the Wildcats.

Niaz hit a three-pointer on the buzzer to put the Essex

Kingston Wildcats 81, Harlow 75

(National Founders Basketball Cup semi-final first leg)

side 43-38 ahead at the halfway point.

The third quarter saw the lead exchange hands as Wildcats enjoyed a 10-0 run before Hawks had a 9-1 one of their own.

The visitors finished the quarter with successful free-throws for a slim 58-55 lead.

Hawks started the last quarter with three-pointers from Niaz and Paul Jessop, but their scoring slowed and they dropped their intensity on defence allowing Wildcats to go on a 17-3 run.

After a Hawks time-out the teams traded baskets and a Jessop three-pointer at the end reduced Wildcats lead to six points.

Age no barrier to net trophies

JUNIOR angler Ben Heywood came in for praise at the Stort Valley Angling Society's annual presentation night – after capturing nine trophies this season.

The Harlow club held its yearly dinner and dance night at the Maypole Club in London Road, Harlow. Heywood's impressive haul included the Roach Shield, where he defeated his senior colleagues by netting a magnificent specimen fish weighing 11b 5ozs. Most successful of the



SUPER HAUL: Members of Stort Valley Angling Society with their trophies at the club's annual presentation evening (s)

senior members was club chairman Mick Westby, who got his hands on eight trophies. He was closely followed by club veteran Bill Beehan who was successful in seven competitions.

Steve Beehan collected three trophies, as did Steve Turnbull who also won the 'Special Outing' on his very first attempt at barbel fishing on the River Severn. Other trophy winners were Bob Groom and

Malcolm Gregg with two apiece. Gregg was also adjudged to be the 'most improved' angler. Single trophy winners were Peter Cotterell, Andy Heywood, Kevin Shaw, Roy and Ross

Deadman, Chris Rees and Graham Taylor.

The society started its new season last Sunday with a trip to the Bullbeggars stretch of the Grand Union Canal near Hemel Hempstead in Hertfordshire.

Skipper injured as Harlow crash

PROMOTION-seeking Saffron Walden II 7, Harlow 1
(NE14 East Men's Hockey League, division four south east)

And to make matters worse the Harlow captain was injured and had to be replaced.

Matches between these two teams over the last three seasons have traditionally always been close but Saturday's clash was one-sided.

Harlow feared they would be facing a strong team as Walden's first team had already been relegated from division one (three divisions higher) the week before.

Walden, boasting extremely skilful players in midfield and attack, took the game to Harlow from the first whistle and piled on the pressure.

Harlow found themselves 3-0 down after

some impressive reverse stick shooting.

The visitors managed to get some possession with Craig Cholerton pushing forward but Walden were always in control.

They added a further two strikes before the break while Harlow scored a consolation before half-time when skipper White fired in from a penalty corner.

Although Harlow performed better in the second half the day was made worse as White limped off with a hamstring injury only moments into the second period.

The reshuffled team managed to stem the flow of Walden chances and keeper Richard

Norris made some fine saves to keep the final score down to 7-1.

Cholerton, Rob Chandler and Joe Symmonds created some half chances but Harlow were not able to add another consolation.

Harlow are fifth and a season that once promised so much looks likely to end with no promotion.

HARLOW (squad): Norris, Prodger, Torvel, Packham, Chandler, Smith, Symmonds, Krzoska, Cholerton, Hayward, Plumridge, White (c).

● CHELMSFORD Ladies thirds beat Harlow Ladies in the premier division of the Essex Women's Hockey League.

Harlow were beaten 4-2 in the match which was played at Passmores School.

Harlow remain seventh in the 12-team division. Basildon have already won the title.

Big loss as Clapton miss key players

A WEAKENED Upper Clapton side slipped to a heavy defeat at Maldon on Saturday.

Clapton were handicapped by late withdrawals but the youngsters who were called up did well especially forwards Clinton Dorsling and Nick Lindsall.

Maldon had a speedy back line and touched down five unconverted first-half tries with their

Maldon 50, Upper Clapton 10
(RFU Essex League, division one)

quick wings being among those to score.

The hosts led 25-0 at the break and, after resisting Clapton pressure at the start of the second half, scored a breakaway try.

More scores came for the hosts

through slick backs play.

At the other end, Clapton pressure then a brought an unconverted try scored by Dean Kemp out wide after some good driving work by the pack on 50 minutes.

This came shortly after full-back Dan Smith had been replaced by Adam Prince after the former had torn a calf muscle.

Clapton, who played some

good rugby, then scored their second unconverted try in a 78th-minute move started and finished by Kemp which originated from just inside the visitors' half.

UPPER CLAPTON: Smith (Prince), Roberts, Jake Philips, Joe Philips, Day, T. Philips, Garwood, Johnston (Trevillion), Baldwin, Ayres, Lindsall, Kemp, Dorling (Peermamode), Adams, Peattie.



GOING FOR GOAL: Hawks top scorer Paul Jessop, in red, goes for a quick basket against the Cougars on Friday

Hawks secure spot in county cup final

HARLOW Hawks beat Cambridge Cougars 77-65 at home in the semi-final of the Herts County Cup on Friday and reach the final for the first time where they will play Luton Fliers. Jessop (24 pts) Shab Niaz (17) and Dave

Spashett (15) were the main scorers for the hosts. On Sunday, Harlow Hawks who had already won the East Region League title, rounded off their campaign unbeaten ahead of the play-offs in April when they

triumphed 100-88 at Wellingborough Phoenix. Their victory was set up by a phenomenal first quarter which saw them take a 40-20 lead. Jessop (29), Shab Niaz (25) and Darren Francis (21) were the chief point scorers.

Opponents feel the Burn from rampant Rams

SOME excellent rugby was played by Harlow's U-13 side when they beat a weakened Burnham-on-Crouch team 46-5.

The visitors arrived without a complete front row and Harlow props George Foley and Anthony Heath sportingly played a half each for Burnham.

Josh Davies out-paced the Burnham defence to score Harlow's first try.

Prop Zac Chamboiue also touched down, while Sonny Handscombe broke to score Harlow's third try.

Matt Norris was only able to convert the third try for a 17-0 lead.

Further Harlow first-half tries were scored

Youth rugby round-up

by Jack Boswell-Banks, Andre Riddell and Norris.

Norris kicked one more conversion and Harlow were 34-0 up at the break.

Both Harlow second-half tries were scored by Vinnie Hunter with Norris kicking one more conversion.

Burnham were rewarded for their perseverance with an unconverted try.

Harlow U-15s slipped to a 43-12 defeat at Chingford.

The Rams conceded two breakaway tries,

both of which were converted.

Jordan Judge scored a try for the visitors after a charge down by Greg Norris. Ryan McGlone converted.

However, Chingford then scored two more tries, one of which was converted, to go 26-7 ahead at the break.

Chingford scored three more tries and one conversion in the second half while the Rams scored an unconverted try through Jordan Dunn.

Harlow U-17s overcame Enfield Ignatians 13-7 at home.

Lewis Alderman broke the deadlock with a drop goal before Tom Keene scored an

unconverted try from a forwards move.

After the break Ignatians scored a try through a wing and this was converted, before Harlow scored another unconverted try through Tom Scanlon.

Harlow Colts had conceded 40 points against Upminster Colts in a match just before Christmas and went down 19-7 at home this time.

Upminster scored three tries and two conversions to lead 19-0 at half-time.

The Rams scored a consolation try through James Clark from a rolling maul move. Barney Goodey kicked the conversion.

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Hawks into cup final

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Heavy defeat ends play-off quest

A MAJOR improvement will be needed by the Rams when they face Rochford Hundred away for the second successive Saturday. Harlow take on Rochford in two days' time in the last four of the Essex Cup and hope to make up for the disappointment of not gaining a play-off spot by booking a place in the county cup final.

This tie comes just a week after a weakened Rams team slumped to a heavy defeat in the league.

The visitors, who were without five first choice players including scrum-half Lee Harron, centre Ben Jarvis and winger Nick Grimley, were further handicapped by two more injuries.

Skipper Nick Ford (groin strain) and wing forward Michael Weston (knee) went off after 35 and 55 minutes respectively. Harlow had several players in

Rochford Hundred 35, Harlow 7
(London division three north east)

unfamiliar positions and although they were competitive in the line-outs and scrums they were undone by speedy home backs.

Outside centre Daniel Cleare scored four of the five home tries.

The visitors enjoyed a good start and exerted pressure before going behind against the run of play on 15 minutes.

An interception by Cleare allowed him to run in a try from 50m. Tom Ashton added the conversion.

The Rams went further behind shortly after when a good break by the home backs led to Cleare scoring a try converted by Ashton as the hosts led 14-0 at

the break.

Harlow badly missed Ford's tackling and accurate clearance kicking after he went off.

Cleare completed his hat-trick from a backs move on 50 minutes before another slick piece of passing put winger Jon Baker over for a try on the hour mark.

Both were converted by Ashton.

The Rams scored a consolation try through Paul Prindiville via a rolling maul from a line-out on 70 minutes which Josh Bohl converted.

Rochford's final try came shortly before the end when Harlow were robbed of possession deep in the home half and a breakaway led to Cleare scoring his fourth try.

Ashton kicked the conversion.

HARLOW: F. Brown, Vanston, McFerran, Bohl, Vanbeck, Ford (Stradling 35), Kent-Pope, Brown, Wilkins, Prindiville, Ephgrave, Eynon, Weston (Fitzpatrick 55), Hawkins, Claridge.



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Kirby's Maid his mind up

RYAN Kirby wants nine points from the Hawks' three games in the next eight days to ease the threat of relegation - starting with Maidstone United at Barrows Farm this Saturday.

Harlow Town, who are two points above the drop zone after losing at Ashford Town five days ago, then host Boreham Wood on Tuesday before facing Folkestone Invicta away on Good Friday.

The Hawks' play-boss said: "They are sides around us and we cannot afford anything less than three wins.

"We are far too close to it [relegation] and we have to make the most of them. We want to be in control of our own destiny. We do not want to rely on other results.

"We have to create chances and take them and stay resolute."

Kirby was suspended for the Ashford game but he will return for the clash against third-from-bottom Maidstone.

However, Harlow will be without banned central defender Danny Chapman and midfielder Leon Lalite.

Central defender Leo Roget and striker Raphael Sylvester (both hamstring injuries) are doubtful.

Few chances were created in a goalless first half at Ashford on Saturday.

James Bunn's flick from Scott Curley's low cross went wide on 15 minutes, before Bunn fired over the home bar.

Harlow went behind on 53 minutes. Anthony Joseph's in-swinging cross from the right seemed to be heading wide but with the aid of a strong wind it blew back towards the Harlow goal, allowing Gavin Smith to net with a free header at the back post.

Kirby said: "We had done well in the first 45 minutes but we allowed too much time for the

cross to go in."

The Hawks nearly hit back on 62 minutes when Bunn smashed into the side netting after turning his man and latching onto a quick Lalite free-kick.

Playing against the wind, the visitors struggled.

Mark Taylor forced a low save from Ashford stopper Paul Burgess with a free-kick on 70 minutes.

At the other end, Harlow keeper James Hasell came off his line to save well from Wes Goggin, who shot from six yards.

The closest the Hawks got to an equaliser was on 80 minutes. Lalite's free-kick from the edge of the 18-yard box was met by the sliding James Lindie, whose effort was kept out by a combination of the keeper's right post and grounded Harlow substitute Dean Williams.

HARLOW TN: Hasell, Davis, Taylor, Hollenbach, Obaze, Akers (Williams 77), Lalite, Fowler, Bunn, Curley (S. Gliddon 55), Lindie. Subs not used: Hill, M. Gliddon, Dumoulin (gk). Att: 143

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Hendon.....	33	14	9	10	51
Billerica Tn.....	34	14	9	11	51
Margate.....	34	14	9	11	51
Staines Tn.....	31	13	11	7	50
Horsham.....	32	15	5	12	50
Tonbridge Angels.....	34	13	10	11	49
Ramsgate.....	34	13	10	11	49
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* 1 pt deducted

Smashing news for BATTs club

THE Norman Booth Leisure Centre is closing in on a £200,000 scheme to revitalise the ailing complex.

The Elderbeck facility - home of the BATTs table tennis club - hopes to

receive confirmation from Sport England for a £110,000 grant next week.

With the funding BATTs has done independently, this will provide a war chest of close on £200,000 and work

would commence within the next two months.

The leisure centre is likely to be shut for around 12 weeks while the project is carried out.

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